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## *Hagerty files suit against IFC, JEC*

by Tracy Sisser
News Editor

Former Student Association presidential candidate Tracy Hagerty is contesting an incentive program that would give $200 to the fraternities that produced the most votes in last week's presidential election.

Hagerty filed a motion with the Student Court against fellow candidate Craig Fields, the Interfraternity Council and the Joint Elections Committee.

The complaint stated that the "presidential election was unjustly influenced" in favor of Fields because he is the president of Alpha Epsilon Pi and the only presidential candidate who is a member of a Greek-letter organization. The IFC planned to award the money to the top two fraternities with the highest voter turnout.

Hagerty said she did not file the motion because she lost to Fields by only 13 votes. "The closeness didn't matter," she said. "It bothered me that people were buying votes, and (the IFC) was only doing it because a Greek candidate was running."

Hagerty said she does not want Fields's name removed from the ballot, but she wants him to be fined. She said her primary concern is that such "improprieties" do not occur in future elections.

According to the motion, Hagerty is questioning whether the money offered to fraternities needed to be included on a candidate's financial statement and whether the "offense is punishable by removal from the ballot."

Chief Judge of the Student Court Jon Tarnow said the Court will decide whether it should hear the case on Monday.

Outgoing IFC President Cris Parrino said the money is awarded to the top two fraternity vote-getters. Parrino said the program has been in effect for two years and would have been implemented even if no fraternity member was running.

The program raised the turnout among Greek-letter organizations by 60 percent, Parrino estimated.

Fields said he did not believe there was a conflict of interest between the incentive from the IFC and his position as president of Alpha Epsilon Pi. He said the incentive is the same as a group such as the College Democrats paying

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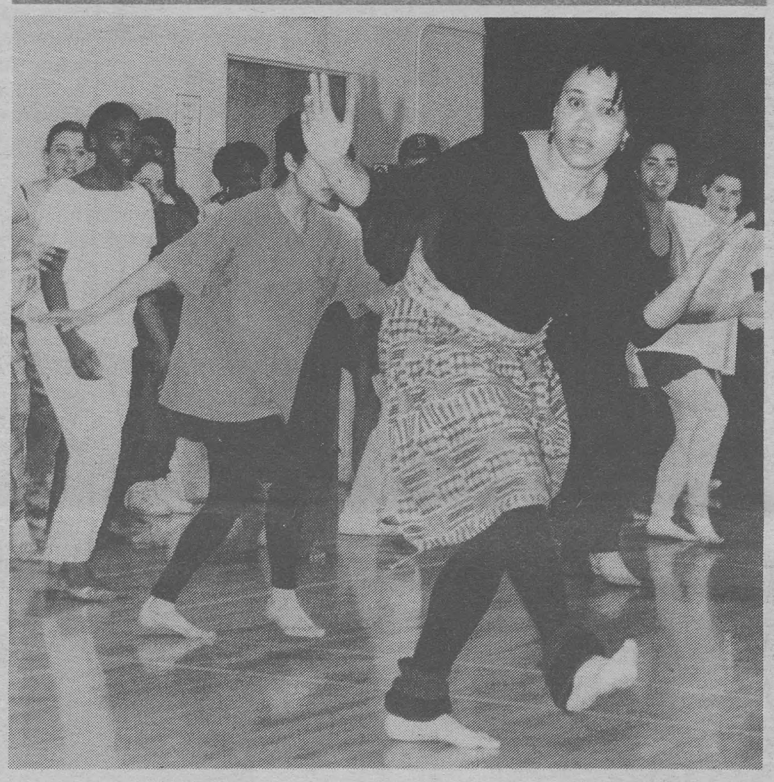
## In step



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*GW students and faculty follow the rhythm, learning traditional African dance movements Friday in Building K as part of Black History Celebration.*

## 4 students robbed in related incidents

### *Armed man is a suspect in two holdups*

by Andrew Tarnoff
News Editor

Four students, one of whom was choked and another held at gunpoint, were robbed Thursday in two incidents University Police suspect were committed by the same man.

One GW student was choked and robbed of cash at about 12:15 a.m. Friday morning, shortly before three other students were robbed at gunpoint. Nobody was injured in either of the robberies.

The first incident occurred in the 2700 block of Pennsylvania Avenue N.W., where four men in a car approached the male student, who was alone.

University Police Director Dolores Stafford said one man got out of the car and demanded the student's money. According to police reports, the man choked the student but let him go when he took the student's wallet. The man got back into the car and drove away.

A student recovered the wallet and some of its contents on the corner of 22nd and H streets. The victim told police that $20 was stolen from his wallet.

About five minutes later, the same car approached four students walking to Thurston Hall. Stafford said the same man in the first incident robbed three of the students at gunpoint in the 700 block of 19th Street.

Stafford said the man stole $54 as well as driver's licenses and credit cards from the students. After robbing them, the man got in the car and fled south on 19th Street, Stafford said.

Freshman James Morris, one of the victims of the second robbery, said his group was coming back from a coffee shop in Dupont Circle when they were robbed. He said he was walking behind the others when he was approached by the man.

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## GW adds $1.2 billion to area's economy

### *Study examines impact on jobs, spending*

by Oscar Avila
Senior News Editor

GW generated $1.6 billion in economic activity during fiscal 1993, including $1.2 billion in the Washington area, according to a study released Thursday by the Greater Washington Research Center.

About 57 percent of the total economic impact was direct, including expenditures for salaries, purchases of goods and services and off-campus spending by students and visitors. The rest were indirect impacts related to the University.

"Universities are more than just centers of learning; they are also forces for economic and business development," GWRC President Atlee E. Shidler said in the report. "This study . . . clearly establishes (GW's) importance as a major source of jobs, a consumer of goods and services and a generator of retail sales."

Only 21 percent of the local impact went into the District, according to the report. Suburban Maryland received more than half of the local impact, while Northern Virginia received about 25 percent.

Student spending off campus, which totaled $128.2 million, was almost equally divided between the District and the suburbs. Much of the economic impact flows to the suburbs because many employees work in Washington but live in Maryland or Virginia, the report said.

"There are so many vendors and companies that GW touches in some way," said Stephen Fuller, professor of urban development and author of the study. "The impact is broadly distributed in contrast to federal spending."

Perhaps the University's greatest impact is as a creator of jobs, the report said. GW is the District's largest non-government employer, with more than 11,000 non-student employees. The University paid almost $300 million in wages.

Fuller said local leaders tend to overlook the impact of universities. He said universities are thought of more as institutions of "education and culture," rather than as economic players that can have a significant impact.

The University commissioned the report to quantify the economic impact it has on the area. A recent study estimated that local universities add an estimated $9

(See ECONOMY, p. 20)

## *Church continues battle for Miriam's*

by Elissa Leibowitz
Managing Editor

Ray Dixon remembers a time when homeless people would crowd outside the Western Presbyterian Church hoping for a bite to eat. He used to hand out sandwiches, small cans of juice and crackers to anyone who asked.

That was more than 10 years ago, before Miriam's Kitchen opened its doors to the area's homeless for breakfast. Since then, the homeless have lined up beside the church and slept on grates outside the building waiting for the kitchen to open.

Dixon said District officials who won't allow Miriam's to operate when the church moves because Foggy Bottom residents fear "they will be attacked" should not worry.

"The homeless will protect the neighborhood if they want to keep Miriam's open," said Dixon, a resident of Potomac Plaza near the church's new location at 2401 Virginia Ave. N.W. The church's move is now on hold, awaiting a certificate of occupancy from the city.

At the church's service Sunday morning, Rev. John Wimberly dedicated his sermon to denouncing the city's decision. He quoted from John 2:13-22, in which Christ stormed into the temple and turned over tax collectors' tables in anger. Likewise, he said, it is not always easy to remain calm about Miriam's.

"I don't know about you, but Jesus's explosion makes me feel a little less like a total fool and failure when I blow my cool, when I find myself barking into the phone at someone who insists there are no homeless in Foggy Bottom," Wimberly said.

Wimberly said he will meet with other church leaders Tuesday morning to set up a strategy to keep Miriam's operating. He said the Interfaith Conference, the Council of

(See MIRIAM'S, p. 6)

## Ramble On

# *Racism bubbles its way through everyone in melting pot*

You can't pick up the paper these days and not feel discouraged. In between the news of ethnic violence from the Middle East to Sarajevo came a report about Americans' views on the racial situation in this country.

Pass the comics section, please.

The report, released Wednesday, found that Latino, Asian-American and African-American citizens share a collective distrust of white America. Minorities say they think prejudice from the white majority has kept the American dream out of reach and robbed them of opportunities.

All isn't well in America's melting pot, although it didn't take a study to tell us that. But this study only confirms some of our worst suspicions about the uneasiness of the nation's racial mix.

"It's as though white America is sleepwalking on the edge of a volcano of ethnic and racial differences," Sanford Cloud Jr., president of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, told The Washington Post.

The study found that 80 percent of blacks, 60 percent of Latinos and 57 percent of Asian Americans felt their group did not have equal opportunity with whites. But when whites were asked the same question, a majority said the playing board is even.

Who's right? Well, both sides are in a way. The opportunities will never be truly equal — no amount of affirmative action or government policy can erase a history that includes slavery, forced internment of Japanese Americans and segregation based on race.

And, unfortunately, it's too much to hope that new laws on the books will change the prejudice that still exists in people's minds. But prejudice has never been less of an obstacle for minorities — these days, crime, poverty and unemployment are bigger concerns.

Accusations of prejudice, however, cannot be directed only at white Americans. The study proves that, but the reality is just as obvious from other recent developments.

One of the most respected black leaders, Louis Farrakhan, has not let up in his slurs about Jews, for example. Korean Americans and other immigrant groups in Los Angeles are instantly suspicious of their black and Latino neighbors. And, in some heavily Latino neighborhoods in Miami, blacks know not to be caught there at night.

The study echoes these disturbing trends. For instance, Latinos and Asians were more likely than whites to agree with the statement, "Even if given a chance, (African Americans) aren't capable of getting ahead."

Also, blacks, Latinos and Asians are more likely than non-Jewish whites to agree with the statement, "When it comes to choosing between people and money, Jews will choose money." The tense relationship between Jews and blacks, exacerbated by Farrakhan, isn't likely to improve soon.

The point is that it's hard for minorities to claim the moral high ground. The ugly specter of prejudice, not just against whites, is just as likely to be present in their ranks as well.

Some minorities say that, by definition, only whites can practice racism. Even mainstream black leaders such as Jesse Jackson promote this view. They're right, depending on the definition of racism.

If one defines racism as the institutional practice of discrimination, whites are almost the only ones who push that kind of racism, because they control most of the machinery of political and economic power. But a proper definition of racism should also include discriminatory attitudes, and no group can claim innocence on that issue.

But even in some places, such as Washington where blacks have a lot of political power, they can be perceived as acting against the interests of other minorities. Some Latinos, for example, are saying race is an issue in opposition of a Latino project in Adams Morgan.

The experience of minorities in the United States has not been an entirely pleasant one. As demographics change and minorities become the majority, however, it will be harder to blame white America for their problems. Instead, the lack of unity among blacks, Latinos and Asian Americans may prove to be a larger obstacle.

*-Oscar Avila*


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# Students praise use of police escort van

## *Speed, convenience cited in first week*

by Seth Kaplan
Hatchet Reporter

Students now have a quick, comfortable way to travel around campus safely at night with the student-driven campus escort service van that began last week.

The escort van operates every night from 7 p.m. to 3 a.m., replacing the old escort system operated by University Police. Officers previously had to juggle the job of escorting students with their primary role as law enforcement officials.

"(The van will) free our police officers to concentrate more on crime prevention," UPD Captain Anthony RoccoGrande said. "This will be a tremendous help."

Previously, students had to wait for officers on foot patrol or in cruisers to escort them, usually to residence halls.

Community service aides drive the new escort vehicle, a passenger minivan that provides students more comfort and space than UPD patrol cars.

The community service aides must clear multiple background checks and complete an extensive training course before they drive the escort van, RoccoGrande said. There is a pool of 10 drivers, and 10 others have volunteered, UPD Director Dolores Stafford said last week.

The escort van had been proposed as a way to improve safety on and near campus. Students who used the new van this weekend commended the swiftness of the new van, especially in comparison to the old service.

"That's awesome," senior Teresa Morgan told a student driver. "You came within five minutes."

Graduate student Aiza Aslam said she used to wait up to 45 minutes for the police escorts to arrive. But because of the safety factor, she still used the old service "because we had to get back home."

Heather Bock, also a graduate student, said she used to put safety aside because of the slow response time. "I've walked home sometimes rather than bother the police," she said. Bock said she has "nothing against the police," but she felt like she was "wasting their time."

UPD officers said the old escort service often was not their highest priority. "If we were busy, they'd have to wait," UPD Cpl. James Isom said. "You'd get to it when you could."

Student driver Nathan Broshear said he is excited to be a part of a program that makes life more convenient for officers and students. "The officers are freed up, and the students seem less hesitant to call," he said.

Broshear said there are other benefits to having community service aides driving around campus in a marked van. "We function as an extra set of eyes," he said. The drivers also can radio for help from UPD if they see any suspicious activity.

The escort van can take students from points on campus to other places on campus or up to three blocks off campus. "This is a good thing," Isom said. "We're going to make it work."

## Correction

The article "Zoning board rejects Miriam's relocation" on p. 1 of the March 3 issue of The GW Hatchet misnamed Rev. John Wimberly of the Western Presbyterian Church.

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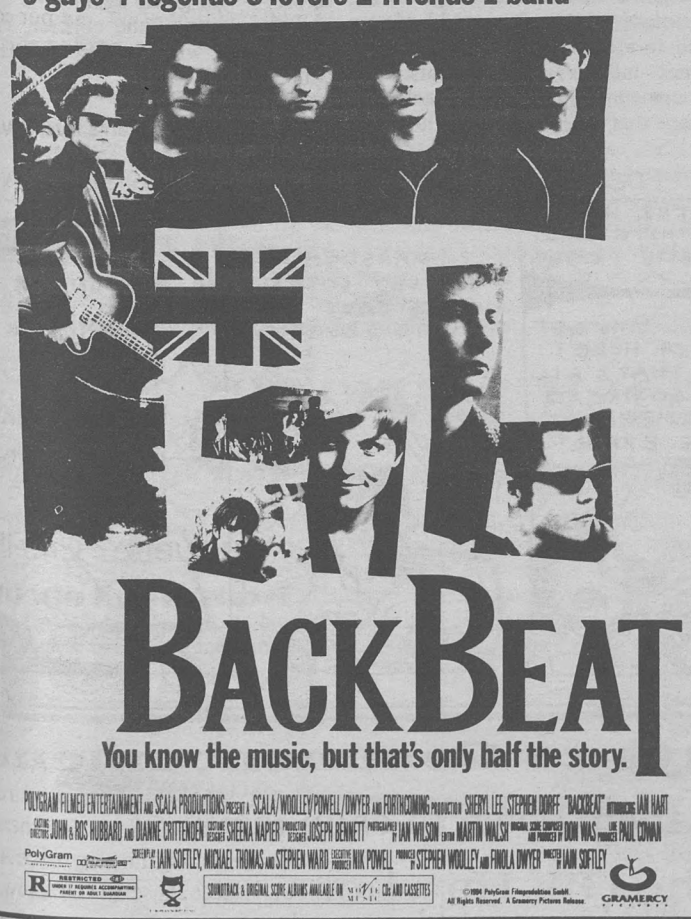


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# *Park for president*

For the third consectutive time, the Student Association presidential election has gone to a runoff. Although 45 percent of the students who voted last week did not choose Al Park and Craig Fields, their only option now — aside from not going to the polls — is picking between these two men. Last week, we at The GW Hatchet felt Tracy Hagerty would make the best president. However, we too must recognize the realities of the situation. Of the two choices now facing GW, Al Park stands out as the candidate with worthwhile ideas and the most representative of the community.

Park and Fields should draw recognition for their strong points. Both represent constituencies who have been isolated in past elections and brought them back into the process. The two have run clean campaigns, making openness and honesty top priorities. More personally, they seem to be nice and easy going. Considering races from the not-too-recent past, it's a welcome and significant change.

Personalities make up only one component of deciding who deserves a vote. A good candidate should have a good working agenda, know how to get things done and seem to represent the multitude of concerns present in a diverse university. In each of these areas, Park can easily claim the title as the better-qualified candidate.

Both set communication with the general student body as one of the important areas for their potential administration. Fields continues to concentrate on this as the absolute end, waving around vague specifics. On the other hand, Park has accomplished much already in listening to students' needs and incorporating them into a plan for action.

The two won their place in the runoff by relying on votes of specific segments of the GW community. As a law student, however, Park experiences the same demands and problems of graduate students at large. Meanwhile, he is in touch with undergraduate life through his time as a resident assistant in Thurston Hall.

Park's time in Purdue University's student government will serve him well. Not only does he have a general idea of how student government and administrations relate to each other, but his background also gives him a perspective usually unavailable to most SA presidents. GW looks ready for some new ideas, and Park looks more likely to supply them.

# *Going, going . . .*

The end of the Cold War asserted itself again this week as the Defense Department recommended that the U.S. armed forces could get by without a peacetime draft registration system. Although the Pentagon did not push for President Clinton to abolish the Selective Service System right away, it makes perfect sense to go a step farther and get rid of this leftover once and for all.

The military demands of the 21st century probably do not require an ubiquitous register of eligible servicemen. The Persian Gulf War, one of the largest military operations in recent times, worked with an all-volunteer force. A draft would not fit with an increased reliance on peacekeeping operations either, the supposed trend for the future.

The past has shown that the country maintains adequate enough resources to bring it back if necessary, as President Carter did in 1980. Many selective service advocates point to the Congress almost abolishing the draft right before the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. Without the draft, they say, the United States would not have been able to fight back. But with the rise of information technology and military hardware, that hardly rings true anymore.

The draft represents a long-passed legacy, perpetually tied to the fight with the Soviet Union, the Vietnam War and nuclear brinkmanship. The U.S. government has learned what to avoid and change from all of those experiences. If the Defense Department does not see a need for the draft, then we should jettison it with the other failures of those times.

EMPLOYING A WELL-KNOWN DECISION-MAKING TECHNIQUE, KURT WEIGHS HIS OPTIONS AND MAKES HIS CHOICE

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### *Float your boat*

Concrete, that strong durable material that forms the foundations of great buildings, that medium that supports your mass as you stroll around the city. From this substance a canoe will be shaped and raced to win. Yes, engineers, they gave you a solar car Sunforce 1, and now they stand at the ready to deliver for the first time in the history of GW, the Concrete Canoe.

The competition is sponsored by Master Builders Inc., a company that deals explicitly with construction chemicals, and concrete is their primary product. There will be a regional race held on April 10, which will include such schools as Catholic University, Johns Hopkins University, Morgan State University and the University of Maryland. The winner of this meet will qualify to go to the National Concrete Canoe Competition. And the GW chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers is ready to take on the challenge.

The team is made up of 17 civil engineers and three mechanical engineers who are guided and supported by faculty members of the civil, mechanical and environmental engineering department, with professor M.I. Haque at the forefront.

These students face many trials. They must come up with a laminar design — a shape that will cut through the water like an Olympic canoe — and create the least drag and the least turbulence. They must decide on a length, a width and a thickness, what type of reinforcement, what water to cement ratio and what type of mold to use. One powerful question weighs heavily on their minds: Will the concrete canoe float?

Before entering the race, the canoe will be filled with water and it must float, or it will be automatically disqualified. Buoyancy, the force that is equal in magnitude but opposite in direction to gravity — if you will, gravity upside down — will go up against the weight and the shape of the concrete canoe. Which force will win? We will have to wait and see.

*-Lilian Sanchez*

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# OPINION

## Reliving the experience of slavery reminds humanity of its costly toll

Death is hard enough to deal with when it takes an individual rather than abstract form. But death has one cognitive virtue: it's so conclusive. And because it draws the firmest of all lines across the scroll of life, it also enhances the meaning of what that scroll records.

When we mourn the death of someone with whom we have been close, their smallest deeds and gestures can grow in our minds. The single look that person gave us on a certain day, some words spoken almost accidentally when we happened to be with them, with what a poetry they can blossom when himself or herself is gone forever.

Much harder to deal with is the fear of death, especially when that fear is systematically imposed on one human being by another, which is one way of defining the institution of slavery. Slavery — or whatever the euphemism employed to describe its current version ("forced labor," "involuntary servitude") — and however it is defended in economic terms, brings naked brute force from the background to the foreground of human affairs.

Second by second, minute by minute, day after day, it says the human being upon whom it is being imposed "You are not human. You are without autonomy. I, who compel you to enact my wishes and my whims, have made you my utterly predictable extension. You will do anything in order to go on living. Your servitude makes me your God."

In its very essence, therefore, slavery is the dialectical inversion of the Golden Rule. Those who impose it, individually or as a group, do unto others exactly what they don't wish to experience themselves. Though they wear respectable clothing, though they lead otherwise impeccable lives, they have cast themselves willy-nilly in the diabolical position.

And the unbearableness of the truth that represents is often shown by the reaction of observers who witness slavery that others impose. They wouldn't fail to rescue a drowning puppy, but they fail to rescue a group of supposedly fellow human beings whose humanity is being annihilated in front of their eyes. They join the enslavers in the proposition that such annihilation is appropriate, as natural as the passing of the seasons.

When moral annihilation is followed by physical annihilation — as has so often been the case in human history — they resort to every imaginable rationalization in order to escape the sense of personal responsibility. The slave, having been a slave, was not their brother. Obviously, therefore, they were not his keeper.

Then something terrible happens. A slave survives and finds his or her way

*Stephen Joel Trachtenberg*

into an emancipated system. Picking up the tools of literacy and lectures, the former slave turns from dialectical other into human mirror. "This is what I experienced," the ex-slave declared, "and it is what you would have experienced had you been in my place."

Description is therefore experienced, by the reader or listener, as indictment. The audience feels annihilated by the awareness of what it formerly tolerated and, therefore, in effect joined, what it may still be tolerating, and therefore joining, where other slaves are concerned.

These reflections have been induced by the appearance of *Schindler's List*, a movie that is currently moving so many human hearts. The millions killed by the Nazis have suddenly taken on individual human faces, even if those are the faces of the actors who portray them. We confront the unbearable realization: Each of those victims, far from having been a sub-autonomous fragment of a perfectly natural annihilation, was an individual human being not unrelated to you or me. The role he or she enacts before our eyes — the role of a compliant slave — is explained by the gun in the hand of the enslaver, the tanks and armored cars that support his nonstop acts of annihilation.

And now step back a century and a half, and imagine the reaction when Frederick Douglass' autobiography was published in Boston in 1845. "Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, An American Slave, Written by Himself," by his very own self, whose essence slavery had set out to deny. In the process of writing it, Douglass literally embodied the anonymous millions laboring in involuntary servitude. "Each of those millions," he was saying in effect as he published the book, "is a One like me because each is different from me, because all are different from each other."

Just as the targets of the Nazi annihilation were ultimately given numbers rather than names, so the slaves in the American South were denied the humanizing fact of their birthdays. "A want of information concerning my own was a source of unhappiness to me even during childhood," Douglass wrote in his first paragraph. "The white children could tell their ages. I could not tell why I ought to be deprived of the same privilege."

What was being said to the young Douglass was, of course, that his disappearance off the face of the earth would be far less significant that the disappearance of a white child whose birthday might be chiseled on a tombstone. But he lived long enough and hard enough to give birth to himself and to chisel his dates in the stone of our history.

From anonymity to personal narrative, from mass annihilation to personal resurrection, from sub-autonomous slavery into the uniqueness of freedom. At the hands of a Douglass or a Spielberg, annihilation metamorphoses into individual death. We remember the individuals who die. Each of their lives becomes tremendous in our eyes. And our own shackles drop away.

*Stephen Joel Trachtenberg is president of The George Washington University.*

## Focus on crime negates homeless

### Students can change perception by joining quad sleepout March 25

Why is it not politically correct to be homeless anymore? The plight of Miriam's Kitchen is just one example of this phenomenon. The forced closure of the Foggy Bottom Homeless Shelter last year is another. These incidents cannot be blamed on the Advisory Neighborhood Commission alone. Repercussions of this atrocity can be seen throughout the city and as high as the mayor.

*Philippe Roth*

This brings us to why this is happening and what can be done. It's happening because there has been a shift of interest and priorities. Politicians, in order to save their asses, float on every new wave of public priority. The newest current undoubtedly flows from crime prevention. This is not just deprioritizing programs for the homeless, it's negating them. Their twisted logic connects services for the homeless with crime.

Therefore, according to this tunnel-type vision, removal of services for the homeless will reduce crime in specific areas. This could also be referred to as NIMBY (Not In My Back Yard) policies. But removal of the service does not remove the problem. America's traditional aversion to long-term planning is the major obstacle in this fight to get people off the streets and back into productive society, not jail. Crime prevention should not mean incarcerating as many people as possible. But rather, it should mean finding out what is making people commit these crimes and stopping it.

Solutions reside in the young poor and the ignorant rich. The young poor need good role models and opportunities to excel. The ignorant rich — that's you — need to rethink your definitions of homelessness and use the education that you're so lucky to have to end the problem rather than fertilize it.

These two solutions have been brought together in one program: a sleepout for homelessness. This event, sponsored by the College Democrats, will help the young poor by raising money for Bright Beginnings, a developmental day care center for homeless kids ages 2 to 5. This event will also educate you, the ignorant rich (myself included), by giving us a taste of reality by sleeping out on the quad for the night of March 25. For those who can't sleep out, speakers on homelessness will talk in Colonial Commons from 9 p.m. to midnight earlier that night. All those interested in taking a public stand and sleeping out for homelessness, please call me at 994-9436.

*Philippe Roth is the community service chair for the College Democrats.*

photo by Stefanil Rogers

## Postering paves way to build a better GW

Hi, my name is Ben Oxley, and I am a newly elected member of the Marvin Center Governing Board. And let me tell you, while running for this position, I had my eyes opened.

I have now come to recognize that everything on the campus is exactly what you make of it. You are the architect and creator of your world. You are the ruling monarch and supreme being.

Now, let me explain. For those of you who wanted to think that the campaign was stupid and silly, you heard stories about the postering and the staking out of good spots, or you heard about the poor turnout for events or the egos of the candidates. And you believed them.

I was going to poster for myself, and I had no idea of the fuss that would occur. But I decided to help out one of the presidential candidates. I was told to meet at the Marvin Center at noon. Upon arriving, I saw some of the chaos and kind of laughed.

I received an assignment, you could say, and went over there, waiting for 2 p.m. when postering began with one other person. I had never met her, and we didn't have all that much in common, but we had a great time. As 2 p.m. rolled around, I wanted to know how the time got by me so fast. And then we postered, furiously. Finishing there, we ran to the next location and looked for good spots, rushing to get our posters up. Was it chaotic? Sure. Was it a little absurd? Sure. Was it really fun? You bet.

*Ben Oxley*

I had a great time as I got to know people while we postered, and I had fun out in the fresh air. I realized that this could be fun. Sure, some people take it too seriously, but if you keep your sense of humor, you can laugh at it all and work for the changes you want made while doing it.

I don't regret running at all. I learned a lot about people and about the campus. I hope you are all aware that the people you did or did not elect are subject to the same rules in this game we call college life. They will do whatever they want or do not want to do with their positions. You can give them incentive to work, but they do not become good workers just because they were elected.

For a lot of time, it will just be a transition from thought to deed. If they are able to make the transition, you will see changes on campus. If they are not, you will continue to have no idea about what the Student Association does. And seeing this in the elections and nowhere else, I realize that the elections do serve a purpose here. They test the student body. What kind of school will we become, and do we care?

As GW students, the least we can do is to ensure ourselves that the opportunity to succeed in any endeavor stays on campus. Right now, the world is just waiting. Feel it, holding its breath. All you have to do is act. If you live with a hint of genuine and a pinch of action, others will want to help you succeed.

So I would like to begin right now, reissuing the call that is too often ignored in the beginning of the year. Get involved. Feel free to contact any organization you want. Chances are that they want and need you. Program Board is a great group, but they can always grow with your help. The political groups on campus have an election year coming up and things are already starting. On the Marvin Center Governing Board, I know I will be looking for people willing to help me arrange bigger, better speakers on campus.

*Ben Oxley is a newly elected at large member of the Marvin Center Governing Board.*

# Student prevents attempted robbery near FSK hall

A GW student thwarted an attempted robbery outside Francis Scott Key Hall Friday evening.

University Police Director Dolores Stafford said police arrested a woman who allegedly tried to steal the student's necklace after he escaped from her grip.

Stafford said the student was approached around 6 p.m. by a person he initially believed was a man. The attacker grabbed his left arm, but the student used his backpack to break the hold, Stafford said.

Both the GW student and the alleged thief fell to the ground, the police report said. The student ran to FSK and called UPD.

Stafford said UPD searched the area and found a person meeting the description. But when police caught the suspect, they discovered that the attacker was actually a woman, Stafford said.

Metropolitan Police arrested the woman after receiving a positive ID. Stafford said the suspect, who did not reveal her name to UPD officers, is probably not a GW student.

*-Andrew Tarnoff*

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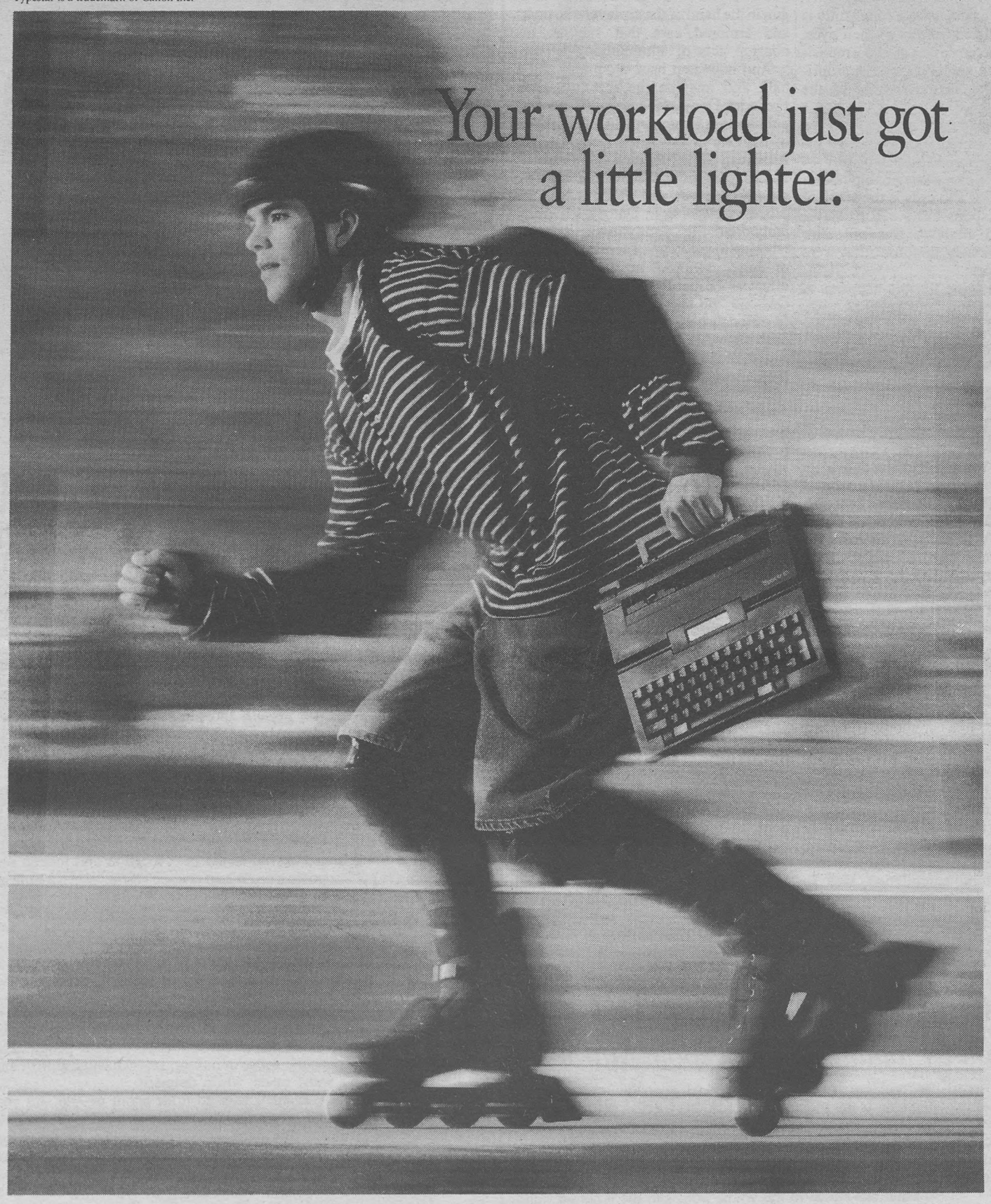


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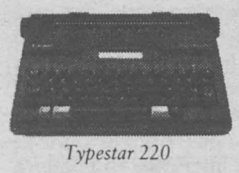
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## Robbery

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Morris said the man grabbed him by his coat and pushed the barrel of a handgun in his abdomen. He said the man told him to turn around and said he would shoot him if he did not.

After Morris and two other students were robbed, the people in the car told the man to get in, Morris said. Morris said a woman walking slightly ahead of them kept walking while they were robbed and was not approached by the thief.

Morris and his group reported the robbery to a UPD officer outside of Thurston Hall. Stafford said UPD and Metropolitan Police compared information about the two robberies and concluded that they were connected.

Police reports describe the suspect as a 6-foot-2 black man with black hair and brown eyes, weighing about 200 pounds and wearing a dark colored coat and pants. Morris said the man was also wearing a plain black baseball hat. Reports describe the car as a dark, late-model Oldsmobile Cutlass Sierra.

Stafford said this incident is another reason students should use the UPD escort van. She said she believes men are less likely to use the van, but added that "crime doesn't differentiate on the basis of sex."

Stafford said UPD will continue heavy patrols of areas on campus that deserve increased attention. UPD does not have any plans to step up patrols as a result of the armed robberies, she said.

## Miriam's

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Churches and the Downtown Cluster of Congregations are all committed to the cause. Rev. Jesse Jackson called Wimberly last week offering his help as well, Wimberly said.

The church's lawyers are writing its appeal to last week's decision by the Board of Zoning Adjustment that said feeding the homeless is not considered a "customary function" of a church.

"They're not Christians. They couldn't be with that attitude," said Alice Anderson, a resident of the Presbyterian House who attended Sunday's service. "It's unbelievable that the community would take that position."

In a pastoral epistle Wimberly distributed Sunday, he mentioned a similar situation at a Lutheran church in Illinois. In that case, the Illinois Supreme Court allowed the church to continue its feeding program. The church's lawyers will base their appeal on that case, he said.

Wimberly added that it is fitting that "our present crisis" comes during Lent, the religious season before Easter. He equated Miriam's situation with Christ's "unjust" arrest, trial in a kangaroo court and arranged execution "precisely because he sought to love like God."

"I don't really think we will end up on a cross or even in jail because we choose to love," he said. "However, we should not dare call ourselves Christians unless we are prepared to do that eventually."

Dixon, a church parishioner for more than 12 years, said Foggy Bottom residents should not be concerned that Miriam's will attract homeless people to a more residential area.

Dixon said church members will set up a committee that will patrol the area, discipline disruptive people and clean up when necessary. Wimberly has also pledged to meet with community members once a month to discuss any problems.

photo by Maher Jafari

GW alumnus Gen. John Shalikashvili, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, chats with guests at the Capitol Hill reception Thursday.

# GW honors 'Shali' with alumnus award

## *Joint Chiefs head saluted on Capitol Hill*

by Tracy Sisser
News Editor

John Shalikashvili, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, finally was able to accept the University Alumni Association Award, an honor that had been delayed since last May because of military obligations in Bosnia.

Shalikashvili received the Distinguished Alumni Achievement Award, the highest honor that can be bestowed on a GW alumnus, in a ceremony Thursday night on Capitol Hill.

Shalikashvili, who replaced Colin Powell, is the second consecutive GW alumnus to be named chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

The award originally was presented last year, but the general could not receive it because he had to travel to Bosnia "to serve his country," GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg said at the ceremony.

Trachtenberg said the general, who graduated from GW with a master's degree in 1970, is an example of GW alumni leaders "excelling and providing strong leadership in all the sectors of our society."

Shalikashvili contrasted GW with academic institutions in the former Eastern Bloc cities of Budapest, Prague and Warsaw, which were characterized by "grime and grayness."

He said they were once the most extraordinary universities in Europe but faded out of existence for half a century. He said the universities only became prominent when citizens of Romania and Czechoslovakia rebelled against their communist dictators. Shalikashvili said students and professors suffered the most during these uprisings because they were imprisoned or exiled from their countries.

Shalikashvili said he was fortunate to be educated in America and to have gone to a university "where you're encouraged to question everything" and to "grow wiser and better."

Born in Warsaw, Poland, Shalikashvili graduated from Bradley University and GW and served in a variety of military positions in the United States, Germany, Vietnam and Korea.

He was selected for promotion to lieutenant general in 1989 and returned to Germany as deputy commander in chief, United States Army Europe and 7th Army.

Shalikashvili served as the commander of Operation Provide Comfort, the relief operation that returned hundreds of thousands of Kurdish refugees to Northern Iraq. In August 1991, he returned to Washington and assumed the position of assistant to the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. He was supreme allied commander of Europe when GW originally presented him the award.

About 300 alumni attended Thursday's reception, including Sen. Daniel Inouye (D-Hawaii) and Rep. Sam Johnson (R-Texas), who are both members of GW's Alumni Steering Committee. Ron Willis, assistant to the president for congressional and federal relations, said 43 members of Congress responded to invitations for the event.

Willis called the event "a Hill alumni association gathering" and said the award presentation was the most successful event the University has planned on Capitol Hill.

Alumni Officer Amanda Williams said National Law Center graduate William Barr, who served as the attorney general of the United States during the Bush administration, will receive the award next year.

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# JEC

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for an advertisement endorsing Hagerty for president.

The purpose of monetary compensation is to encourage voting among fraternities, a group not traditionally involved in student elections, Fields said.

Parrino said JEC polling officials sign fraternity members' ballots, which the IFC then counts to identify the organization with the most voter turnout. The IFC awards money collected by the fraternities to the top two turnouts, Parrino said.

In last year's election, the IFC endorsed candidates for the election on forms they distributed throughout campus. The JEC called the ballot forms "campaign material," and fined all three candidates endorsed by the IFC for infractions of election rules.

In other election news, the JEC will include on this week's ballots a question that was misprinted on some ballots last week.

In a question regarding the creation of a new SA vice president for international affairs, ballots on Tuesday morning erroneously read "internal affairs."

The proposal initially failed by 61 votes, but the JEC has declared the results void because of the error.

*-Joanna Brown and Kati Gazella contributed to this report.*


# Run-Off Election '94

- Tuesday March 8
- Wednesday March 9
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# SBPM award to honor Fannie Mae CEO

The School of Business and Public Management will honor James Johnson, chairman and chief executive officer of the Federal National Mortgage Association, as its "CEO of the Year" Wednesday.

Johnson was appointed to his position in February 1991 at the group commonly known as "Fannie Mae." Fannie Mae is a shareholder-owned company and is the nation's largest provider of home mortgage funds.

During Johnson's tenure, Fannie Mae has successfully met its goal of producing $10 billion in low- and moderate-income loans. Fannie Mae also has launched initiatives to reach out to firms owned by women and minorities.

"Jim Johnson's remarkable leadership and strategic decision-making have shaped Fannie Mae into one of the world's leading financial institutions," SBPM Dean F. David Fowler said. "Jim has put in place one of the most talented management teams in corporate America and has led that team to meet and surpass bold new goals."

The "CEO of the Year" award is part of the SBPM's attempt to broaden the school's interaction with the business community. Past winners include J.W. Marriott of the Marriott Corp., Mortimer Zuckerman of U.S. News and World Report and Ted Turner of the Cable News Network.

Johnson will receive his award at a ceremony and luncheon Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. in the Marvin Center Ballroom. The event is sponsored by the SBPM Alumni Association.

*-Oscar Avila*

# NEWS BRIEFS

## Test changes

The Graduate Admission Test, taken by more than 200,000 business school applicants each year, will add two scored essays to the exam beginning in October.

Timothy Patrick, director of GMAT programs for Kaplan Educational Centers, said some students may want to take the test this year.

"This will be different from writing a history paper or a corporate memo. These essays will be judged according to very specific criteria," he said.

## IFC elects officers

Trexler Satkowski of Sigma Chi took over Monday as the new president of the Interfraternity Council, replacing outgoing president Cris Parrino.

Other recently elected officers include Francisco Mota of Theta Delta Chi, vice president of judicial affairs; Bobby Snyder of Pi Kappa Alpha, vice president of risk management; Gary Reshefski of Alpha Epsilon Pi, vice president of finances; and Doug McAvery of Sigma Nu, vice president of rush.

*-Oscar Avila*

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# WOMEN'S HEALTH CARE DAY

Schedule of Events

**Monday, March 7, 1994**

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12:30 pm – WOMAN'S WAY - Self-defense organization.

1:15 pm – Dianne Pettie - GW Yoga instructor

2:00 pm – DC IMPACT - SELF DEFENSE

3:00 pm – KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Dr. Gigi El-Bayoumi,
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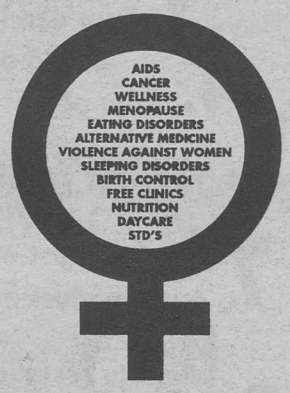
Associate Professor of Internal Medicine, Doctor of Internal Medicine, and member of the Women's Primary Health Care Center, Dr. El-Bayoumi will discuss the historical exclusion of women in the medical field and why it has produced the necessity for women's specialty fields today.

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# Pentagon says draft may be unnecessary

## *Report questions importance of registration*

by Oscar Avila
Senior News Editor

During the Vietnam War, college students shut down campuses protesting the military draft. But these days, the Pentagon is questioning the need for draft registration.

A Defense Department report to Congress released Thursday said that, with the end of the Cold War, the United States could suspend peacetime registration "with limited risk to national security."

The Selective Service System keeps a register of 14.4 million men between the ages of 18 to 25, about 96 percent of those eligible. Between 1.5 and 1.75 million men register for the draft each year.

College students have an added incentive to register for selective service. Registration is required to be eligible for some federal financial aid and for federal jobs. In addition, 18 states have laws requiring registration for financial aid eligibility.

Senior Marko Radielovic had a bad experience with the Selective Service System. He enlisted in the Marine Corps when he was 17. When he was discharged and tried to apply for financial aid, he had problems even though he was a veteran because he hadn't registered for selective service.

Radielovic said the Selective Service System is a good "safety net," but the bureaucracy often prevents it from being effective.

Defense Department spokeswoman Susan Hanson said the Pentagon is not ready to advocate the abolition of the system. The report said "it seems prudent to maintain draft registration" while alternative military options are studied.

President Clinton agreed with the report's conclusion in a letter to Congress, saying that "we should maintain registration while we study how to make the best use of Selective Service System capabilities." Clinton himself has been criticized for trying to avoid the draft while he was a college student in the 1960s.

Sen. Mark Hatfield (R-Ore.) and Rep. Peter DeFazio (D-Ore.) said they think Clinton should exercise his authority and end peacetime registration. Registration was phased out after the Vietnam War but reintroduced by President Carter after the Soviet Union invaded Afghanistan in 1979.

"Peacetime draft registration has been a fraud from day one," DeFazio said in a statement. "Even the frontline soldiers charged with America's defense have decided that the Selective Service System is a dinosaur whose time has past."

During the Persian Gulf War in 1991, college students nationwide expressed concern about the possibility of being drafted, especially when the length of the conflict was uncertain. The all-volunteer U.S. army proved large enough to fight the war, however.

Radielovic said when he was a student in California during the Gulf War, his peers were looking for ways to avoid a possible draft. "It was kind of disheartening, actually," he said.

Radielovic said that peacetime registration is probably no longer necessary, especially with the United States' large professional army. "I think we may be hanging on to something that's kind of obsolete," he said. "We have a large enough armed forces that we don't need selective service."

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# Some spring breaks will include service

by Justin Bergman
Hatchet Staff Writer

Some GW students will not fly home or flock to the beaches next week for spring break. Instead, they will volunteer their time to work on community service projects as part of the University's Alternative Spring Break program.

One group of 13 GW students will travel to the Texas / Mexico border on a community service trip that Campus Ministries has sponsored for the past three years.

According to Campus Minister Laureen Smith, who directs the trip, the students will stay with migrant farm workers' families in several border towns, helping to repair old homes and churches and teaching games to children. They will also talk to factory workers about the North American Free Trade Agreement and relations between Mexico and the United States.

"The intent (of the trip) is to get a wide variety of GW students to work and learn together during Spring Break," Smith said. She added that the trip will be an "excellent opportunity" for students to practice speaking Spanish and to go sightseeing.

"I really wanted to spend my time doing something to help someone else," said freshman Sara Dayton, one of the students going on the trip. "We do too much all year to help ourselves."

Funding for the trip is being provided by some residence halls and local churches, as well as the students themselves. Smith said the group is still trying to raise money to pay for all of their expenses.

In addition, 25 other GW students will join volunteers from the University of Maryland, George Mason University and other organizations next week to help rebuild the Richardson Elementary School in Southwest Washington.

All of the schools in the Washington area have agreed to help renovate the school during their respective spring breaks through a program called "Project Blueprint," according to sophomore Lawrie Moore, GW coordinator of the project.

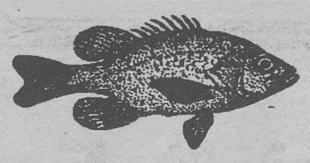
Each day next week, five GW students will go to the school to erect shelves, paint, clean and "fix up" the elementary school, Moore said. GW's participation in the program is sponsored by Habitat for Humanity.

"I think it's a very important project," said volunteer freshman Louise Hayden. "Some of our prisons are in better shape than our schools."

GW also will host a group of students from Michigan's Grand Valley State University who are taking part in an Alternative Spring Break community service project in Washington next week, said senior Stephanie Avila, coordinator for the group at GW.

About 60 students from the University of Michigan, Vanderbilt University, Allegheny College and Grand Valley State University have volunteered to do community service work in Washington during their respective spring breaks, Avila said.

The volunteers will work with the homeless, AIDS patients and young people, she added.

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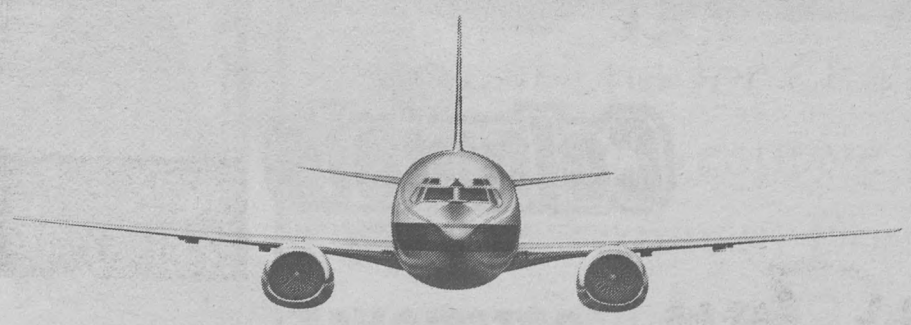

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Residents of Francis Scott Key hall used their walls to express political, religious and even romantic messages.

# FSK residents give mixed reviews to art

by Kati Gazella
Asst. News Editor

Students living in Francis Scott Key hall can see the writing on the walls, but many residents have complained that their newly painted hallways are less than high art.

"It looks like graffiti," sixth-floor resident Melissa Howting said of the walls recently decorated by students.

Sophomore Betty Davis, also a resident of the hall, said some areas "look like a subway station." Davis added that while some of the hallways look artistic, none of the painting is "uniform."

Not all students in FSK objected to the paintings, however. "It was a fun way to get to meet people and to decorate our halls," said Anne Nawrocky, a seventh-floor resident.

"It was fun and a good stress relief during exams," Hall Council President Candis Ryan said. "I think overall that people were happy with the experience."

Ryan said she and Resident Director Peter Langton inspected the floors to see if anything was obscene or offensive, but found no problems other than paint on the floor.

Several students said the they were offended by the use of the hallways as a forum for political and religious debate, with messages such as "Rush (Limbaugh) for Prez" and "Jesus is my Savior" painted on the walls.

"A lot of people used it as a form of inappropriate religious and political statements," fifth-floor resident Lisa Lamb said. "I think it should've been a more structured project."

But Sandhya Reju, a sixth-floor resident, said the painting was not offensive. "We always talk about how we want to have a multicultural, open-minded, accepting student body, and yet as soon as someone expresses something that isn't politically correct or neutral, we get offended," Reju said. "As far as I'm concerned, I would rather hear what someone has to say and then continue to go my own way if I don't agree."

The painting is part of the self-governance system used in FSK and Adams halls where residents make decisions about many aspects of the living environment. Adams residents painted their hall in February.

Some students said this activity was difficult to organize because most FSK residents are mostly juniors and seniors. "I think in a building like this with mostly upper-class people, it's hard to get people to do things as a group," junior Mara Casar said.

Ryan said the painting encouraged students to look at other floors. "It opened things up" in an otherwise "closed-up building," she said.

*-Jennifer Hanson contributed to this report.*

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# IMPRESSIONS

## *Oxford band plunges in a Bloody Slowdive*

*by Doron Gura*

If My Bloody Valentine had a good enough lawyer, Slowdive, a five-piece band out of Oxford, England, would undoubtedly not exist.

On its new album *Souvlaki* (SBK / Creation), Slowdive makes a decent effort at creating its own brand of droning, guitar-laden, dream pop but ends up breaking no new ground. At times it sounds as if these four lads (and one lass, of course) took all the British music weeklies they could get their little, sedated hands on and used them as straight source material instead of as light reading.

The problem with Slowdive lies in the fact the band members actually do write good music, but because they present it in such a completely unoriginal format, it is hard to listen to at times.

*Souvlaki*'s opener, "alison," is perhaps the strongest song on the album. Layers upon layers of thick, flanged and distorted guitars melt underneath an undeniably catchy melody. For a brief moment you don't seem to mind that it sounds like the Valentine's *Loveless* (Sire) in much the same way Black Crowes fans don't seem to mind listening to the Stone's *Exile on Main Street* (Abcko) rehashed over and over again.

Super-producer and ambient guru Brian Eno makes a contribution to the album on "sing," a lazy track of hypnotic "keyboard treatments" and light guitars which ultimately proves to be somewhat bland.

The true gems of the album ultimately come in the form of the last three songs, all of which are thrown in as bonus tracks and mixed by a different producer. These final songs prove the members of Slowdive do in fact have talent. But more importantly, these songs show how little they do with this talent on the rest of the album.

British band of imitators — Slowdive

## Chamber group pulls back curtain

### *Latin American Chacabuco plays at Kennedy Center*

*by Darin Stringer*

An often traditional Kennedy Center lineup was disrupted Sunday night with a lively audience and an even livlier group of musicians in the Center's Terrace Theater.

Chacabuco, which means "the source of the Chacay River," is a five-member Latin American chamber ensemble that pushes the boundaries of traditional chamber music. It fuses the classical genre with a folk-type music from the South, ancient and contemporary. The band was joined Sunday night by Coral Cantigas, a local community choir that specializes in Latin American music.

The first half of the program, devoted mainly to Chacabuco, demonstrated its members' diverse talents. Members Miguel Cordova and Rodrigo Villaseca proved themselves versatile on the modern instruments the ensemble employs. Besides the guitar and percussion instruments, Cordova and Villaseca proved quite capable on several unusual instruments, including the charango (an armadillo-framed guitar), the kena (a pentatonic ancient bamboo flute), the sikus (Andean bamboo pan pipes) and the tarka (a recorder-like wood flute). Guest flutist Tim Moran, usually found playing jazz flute, and Chacabuco regulars Luisa Bustamente (cello) and Diane Orson (violin, voice) all showcased fine command of their respective musical devices.

The third of the group, however, seemed not to belong on the stage of the Kennedy Center but perhaps on the set of "Hee Haw." The combination of the kena and percussion proved to be quite wretched in this Villaseca arrangement. Fortunately, the song was short, and Chacabuco moved back to the high standard it set for itself earlier in the program.

Before intermission the vocal part of the program heated up, and Diane Orson demonstrated her musical versatility with her folk-like, mezzo-soprano voice. The clarity of her voice added one more layer of magic to the already enchanting program.

Coral Cantigas, under the direction of Diana Saez, joined Chacabuco for a few pieces. The choir, which has performed extensively in the Washington and Philadelphia areas, had a good blend and followed Saez's direction well.

The final selection of the evening, "Poema y Musica" — a world premiere cantata with music by Cordova — was a quality composition with text by Maria Asuncion Requena.

Had it not been for the incredibly melodramatic narration by Emily Light Rose interspersed with the music, the evening would have ended on a perfect note. Instead, it ended on a merely pleasant one. Rose's voice was grating and did not fit the style of music at all.

Excepting the minor flaws Chacabuco and Coral Cantigas encountered, these Latin American ensembles proved themselves worthy of the large and energetic audience that attended this performance.

## *Enchanting music inspires study*

*by Heather O'Connor*

It's midterm season once again. Despite all of mother nature's efforts to prevent the semester from ever getting started, it is finally time to buckle down into your snug little desk for a few long days of cramming. But there may be a glimmer of light at the end of the long, dark tunnel. Angel-EMI Classics presents the perfect study album straight from God. Well . . . almost.

A group of cloistered Benedictine monks from deepest, darkest Northern Spain have recently shared their meditative music with the world in *Chant* — a "best of" album of Gregorian chants. Never again will you find yourself humming along to your favorite Gin Blossoms tune or playing the air guitar when you should be memorizing statistics equations.

Pop this baby onto your laser turntable, and you are instantly transported into the world of scholars. These monks come from a timeless heritage of learned men.

The ethereal chants were first sung more than 1,000 years ago as monks transcribed by hand the same books of knowledge that you are now reading in your humanities class. There are hundreds of lifetimes in these monophonic and rhythmless chants. Knowledge and history oozes out at you in every holy hum. The chants are soothing without being sleepy as the monks' voices rise and fall in beautiful Latin harmonies. They seem as natural and beautiful as breathing. And they make perfect background music.

The origin of these chants comes from the around 600 A.D. when they were sung to accompany the Roman Catholic Church's high masses. But there are no religious or political undertones in them. They are a celebration of the beauty of the human voice as a musical instrument.

*Chant* was recorded at the Santo Domingo de Silos Abbey in a small village in Northern Spain. This surprise hit has topped the charts in Spain, selling more than 230,000 copies and making more than $2.1 million.

I guess a lot of people have midterms coming up.

## Satisfy your passion for Renaissance art with 'Medals'

*by Tatiana Fix*

The National Gallery of Art's newest exhibit "Portrait Medals of the Renaissance" is a beautiful, memorable exhibition made up of medals from 1400-1600, originating from Italy, France, Germany and England. The variety and uniqueness of each of the more than 200 medals is special and interesting.

It is difficult to make judgments about which medals are most impressive as they all are truly unique. Each medal expresses and portrays something different, and they vary in size — some are circular and others are egg-shaped. It's also difficult to choose between the bronze, silver and gold because they all have their distinctive attributes.

Most of the medals are cast bronze in a circular shape. However, in the "Nuremberg and Saxony" collection of 16th-century Germany, several medals are cast silver.

The most appealing medal in this particular collection is definitely "The Trinity Medal" by Hans Reinhart the Elder (1510-1581). This medal stands out among all the others. Its size is distinctly larger, and it is possibly the largest medal in the exhibition. The carving of this medal must have required immense work and determination.

There are also several other alluring medals in the "Nuremberg and Saxony" collection, including one of Katherina Starck of Nuremberg by Hans Schwartz (1492-1521).

The self portraits are of particular subtlety and refinement. Giovanni Pasqualino Boldu's (1454-1475) self portrait for example, is absolutely beautiful.

The collection of 15th-century Italy is also lovely, so one should not leave it out when visiting the medal exhibition. The imagery and vitality of each and every medal is striking. One from this Italian collection is by Pisanello (1395-1455) and is absolutely charming. The scene on this medal is exclusively quaint — a cupid is teaching a lion to sing. By studying this scene carefully one is almost drawn into the artist's imagination.

So if you are a person who has a passion for art as well as a vivid imagination, it is essential that you go see this exhibition. Even if you dislike art, your views and opinions may change after visiting this excellent exhibition.

*"Portrait Medals of the Renaissance" shows at the West Building of the National Gallery of Art through May 1.*

"Katherina Stark of Nuremberg"

# ARTS & FEATURES

## Alternative mag *Might* poke fun

### *Mag has X-appeal*

*by David Larimer*

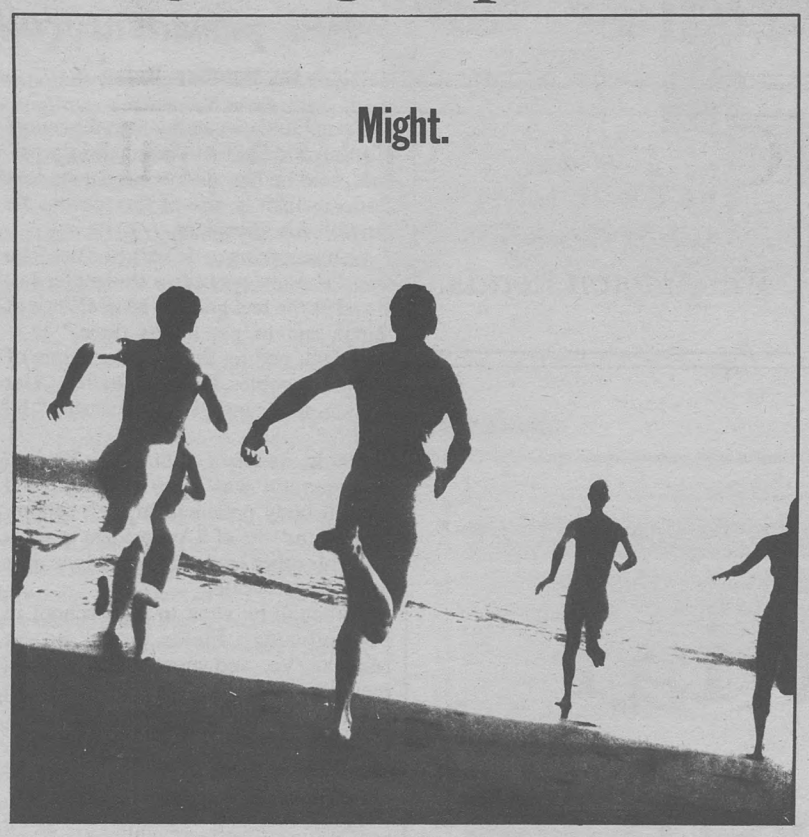
"Yeah, yeah. Another 20-something magazine — who needs it?"

Right out the box, the creators of brand-new *Might* magazine address the questions of skeptical would-be readers.

"*Might* is for young people, but there's no beauty tips, no dating hints or articles about partying. Could there really be more to a generation than illiterate, uninspired, flannel-wearing 'slackers?' Could a generation really consist of 47 million *different* people?"

This foreword, which defines the magazine as well as puts forth a nice bit of self-promotion, epitomizes what is best about *Might*. Formed in San Francisco by three longtime friends (ages 22 to 23) and run by an unpaid, under-25 staff, *Might* is largely a big, smart-ass joke directed at current media attempts ("Xercysms," as the magazine calls them) to label the so-called "Generation X." And it's quite often a riot.

The *Might* staff pokes considerable fun at other youth-oriented magazines and the "Xercysts" that create them. The magazine begins its inaugural issue with a completely made-up table of contents that includes such articles as "How to Make Your Man a Tiger in Bed!" and "Hot, Ragin' Frat Music!" The first article — David Milton's "Labels for Fun & Profit" — contains such pearls of wisdom as, "Once you get the hang of it, making sweeping generalizations about 47 million people of every racial, sexual, ethnic, class and personality stripe is easy and fun — and profitable!"




*Might* promotes itself as nakedly candid.

By the same token, the magazine often spoofs its own audience. "This Modern World," a comic strip by Tom Tomorrow (bad name, good strip) spoofs common 20-something complaints with barbs such as, "Life is tough for Americans in their 20s . . . Sure, they may not be starving to death in a barren desert . . . or dodging sniper fire in a war-torn country . . . but gosh darn it — they just can't find jobs they like!"

"Wage Slavery with Harmon Leon" is a hilarious account of some of staff writer Leon's more unusual former jobs, including a promise to attempt to find a new one, "preferably in the rough and tumble fast food service industry," for his next column. Here's to hoping that he can hang on to his gig as an unpaid columnist.

However, there are a few glaring mistakes for a magazine that seems to hold intelligence at a premium. Any reporting that takes place tends to meander toward the inconsequential side. Who really wants to read about an incredibly obscure neo-hippie tribalist gathering called the Burning Man Festival? If you do happen to, by the way, good luck trying to figure out the article once it jumps from page 25 to 62; it becomes two separate and distinct pieces of investigative drivel instead of one.

Speaking of investigative drivel, who puts phrases like "it's a bitch" in an investigative report? *Might* staffer Steven Bloom does in his piece on concert ticket surcharges.

Much like the title suggests, *Might* is neither entirely here nor there, strong in some areas and weak in others. If the first issue is any indication, it appears that *Might* might have trouble coming up with material on a regular basis now that all of its "Xercyst" material is used up. But if they can, the magazine will be worth taking a look at, no mights about it.

The premier issue of *Might*.

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## Video Vantage

### *Beachballs, bikinis, babes and beer on Beta*

*by David Larimer*

As the grind of midterms increases, reducing the mind and the spirit to a frayed, overworked pulp, one consoling thought creeps into the minds of stressed students everywhere — spring break. Aaaahhh . . . feel the tension melt away with visions of relaxation and hedonism with absolutely no intelligence required.

This is the reason Hollywood and spring break have often been such a perfect match.

No, wild spring break flicks don't make up an important movie genre. Yes, it would be more enriching to see a nice foreign film. But spring break is coming, and you just can't stop giggling at the wild and wacky hijinks of those crazy college kids!

From the innocently minded *Where the Boys Are* and *Beach Blanket Bingo* to the more bacchanalian *Hardbodies* and *Fraternity Vacation*, spring break movies have become an important way for Hollywood to produce low cost, high profit films that pander to the crucial "horny adolescent male" demographic.

It was the generic beach movie that begat the more specific spring break movie. In the early '60s, films like *The Endless Summer*, the immortal Frankie and Annette in *Beach Blanket Bingo* and several other beach flicks capitalized upon the surf music craze and beach subculture of the time. Soon after, with *Where the Boys Are*, the spring break movie was born.

It was in the early '80s, however, that the genre was raised to all-time heights in cinematic lowliness. After discovering — through *Porky's* — the profit potential in rampant stupidity and nudity geared toward teens, movie companies decided to give the idea a fresh new look by putting it on the beach.

So follows the second heyday of the spring break movie, in which an individual part of the film is inevitably better than the whole. That is why it's so nice to have the following movies on video. If ever you rent one and ask yourself, "Now why did I do that?" you can simply watch the stupid scene over and over, laugh out loud and ask the same question of the filmmakers.

Possibly the highest grossing of the early 1980s spring break flicks, *Hardbodies*, spawned not only a sequel but perhaps the most gratingly annoying soundtrack on the face of the earth. Oh, sure, it might be pretty darn funny to hear the wailing chorus ("See the hardbodies! / Walkin' down the avenue!") of the theme song during opening credits, but just wait until you notice it playing in the background over and over throughout the whole movie. Forget it. You'll probably have turned it off by then.

If you've seen the standard wet T-shirt and teenie-weenie bikini contests in movies before and are crying out for something different, try *Spring Break*, which features something called The Erotic Banana Eating Contest.

*The Sure Thing* is the closest thing to a good spring break movie made in the early '80s. Alas, no wild parties or wacky characters, but it does feature two of the best pickup lines ever used in film.

Quick quiz: The most prominently used plots in spring break movies are:

a) Losing one's virginity.

b) Befriending former enemies through a wacky prank.

c) Making sure that the crotchety old sheriff / father / powerful community figure gets what he has coming to him.

d) Getting mixed up in a wacky fix after plotting to score the most bodacious babe on the beach.

e) All of the above.

Take a wild guess.

## Exhibit explores ties of 'Art and Design'

*by Chris Peterson*

Have you ever noticed how some advertisements easily catch your eye or how some album covers seem to enhance the music? The creative process behind these mediums is the subject of "Art By Design," a Colonnade Gallery exhibit cosponsored by the GW art department and the Marvin Center Governing Board.

Far from being an inaccessible display of shapes and colors with esoteric meanings, it is a documentary of the creativity behind the everyday art found on album covers, college catalogs and advertisements. This element of accessibility can make the show appealing to people who don't even consider themselves knowledgeable about art.

A highlight of the show is illustrator David Blickenstaff, who drew the punk rock monster on the cover of the *Bad Music For Bad People* album by The Cramps. Photographs of some tattoo versions are also included.

Another picture by Blickenstaff is shown both as a color illustration and as a black and white drawing with a puffed-out, transparent green and orange plastic covering — giving the picture a clever, 3—D quality.

The collaboration of photographer Paul Brown and graphic designer Lisa L. Sheirer is another highlight. His photographs are striking, black and white shots of landscapes, utilizing both close-ups and long shots. They are printed as narrow, vertical and horizontal rectangles.

The works of some GW students are also included in the show. Most of the students' works are in the form of advertisements and posters promoting Colonial basketball, the novel "The Pelican Brief" and a computer show.

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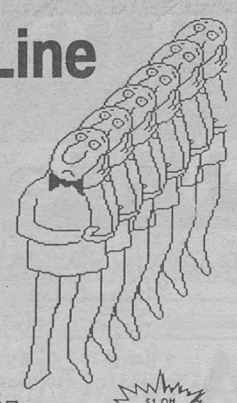

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THE RUNOFF

# Fields says his work as leader is an asset

## *AEPi president calls for campus unity*

by Jennifer Batog
Senior Staff Writer

Craig Fields, a candidate in the runoff election for Student Association president, said he has always been a student leader, which is one of the reasons he ran for SA president.

"It has nothing to do with politics," he said. "I've always been a student leader. It makes me feel good to be in charge of things and to get things done."

In fact, getting things done is one of the philosophies Fields lives by. "Get the job done, and give no excuses," he said.

Fields, president of the Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity, was class president and student body president in high school. He said the role of SA president is similar to his other leadership positions, just on a larger scale.

Although he went to high school in Pennsylvania, Fields grew up in McLean, Va., and spends time with his mother in Florida and his father in Maryland.

"Moving around is great," he said. "I've never had a problem making friends."

Fields said past experiences such as going to boarding school with people from different ethnic backgrounds and working to unite the Greek-letter organization system will help him tackle what he sees as one of the major campus issues: campus unity.

"We have a lot of diversity at this campus," he said. "It's good that this campus is diversified, but at the same time, you need to be unified. That's a major issue; that's real-life stuff. If you get the school working together . . . there's nothing we can't do."

Fields said his role in a fraternity has given him the support of most of his brothers and the Greek-letter organization system as a whole, support he thinks will follow him into the SA presidency.

He recalled telling his brothers that he had decided not to run after the Joint Elections Committee raised the spending limits, but they all contributed money. "I said I couldn't afford it. By the end of the night, I had $400."

Although he said he has support outside the Greek-letter organization community, he said the reputation of fraternities has prevented some people from taking him seriously.

"I never realized before the election how bad a reputation fraternities have," he said. "It's such a stereotype. (Some) people aren't even open-minded enough to even listen to me."

But Fields said this year's campaign

Craig Fields

so far has been smooth for all the candidates. "There's been fewer politics than ever. There's been no dirt-throwing, but you have to play the game . . . It's been a whirlwind."

Fields said he and runoff opponent Al Park have "gotten along tremendously," but that he is more qualified than Park because he has proven his leadership.

He said he and SA Vice President-elect Scott Slifka get along "perfectly." They already have discussed some of the important campus issues, such as communication and campus security, especially lighting in the University Yard.

Fields said the elections have taken a toll on him. "I've gotten little sleep. (Campaigning) is killing me . . . but it's worth it."

Whatever the runoff's outcome, Fields will still have something to celebrate when the results are announced because Wednesday is his 21st birthday.

If he wins, Fields said he will "get very, very intoxicated, have a huge campaign party for everyone that helped out, and me and Al (Park) will have a beer." If he loses? "Get very, very drunk, and me and Al will have a beer."


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THE RUNOFF

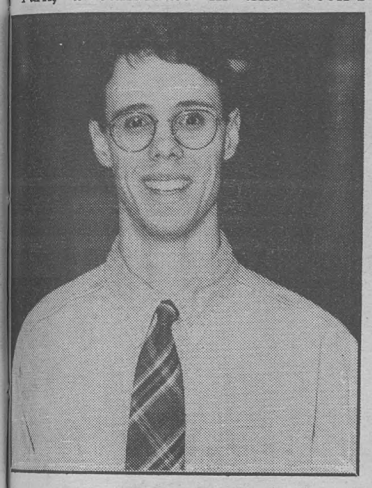
# Park says he learned from previous work

## *Law student wants to improve academics*

by Douglas Parker
Hatchet Staff Writer

Al Park said he learned a lot about student government during his days as administrative judge of the Student Supreme Court at Purdue University in Indiana.

Park, a candidate in this week's runoff election, now hopes he can share his undergraduate experience with GW as Student Association president.



Al Park

"I learned that it's important that (people in) student government work well among themselves," Park said. "At the same time, they need to establish a good working relationship with students and the administration."

Park, a second-year law student and resident assistant in Thurston Hall, said he has three major issues he wants to work on if elected: getting more student input, increasing safety on campus and doing what the SA can to improve academics.

Park acknowledged that the SA is limited in how much it can improve academics. But he said he has plans for many simple improvements.

"I can't hire the professors," Park said. But the SA can "make it prestigious, (like) at Purdue. It built pride and community among the faculty."

Park said he also would like to see an inexpensive preparation course for graduate school entrance exams. This is an efficient way of putting GW students in better graduate schools, he said.

Another way Park said he would like to improve academics is through the improvement of campus technology. He criticized some of GW's outdated classroom equipment.

"Some of the lab equipment hasn't been updated since disco fever was a hit. I've had some of my residents tell me the equipment at their high school was better," he said.

Park, who hails from Albuquerque, N.M., said he is hopeful about working with the administration. He said his experience at Purdue taught him the best ways of pushing through student proposals. "If I didn't think the University was genuinely interested in helping the students, I wouldn't run because it would be a year of frustration," he said.

Park said as well as making the University accountable to the students, he wants to make the SA accountable to the students. "If we say we are going to get something done, we will have it done," he said. "This is a university, you can do anything you want."

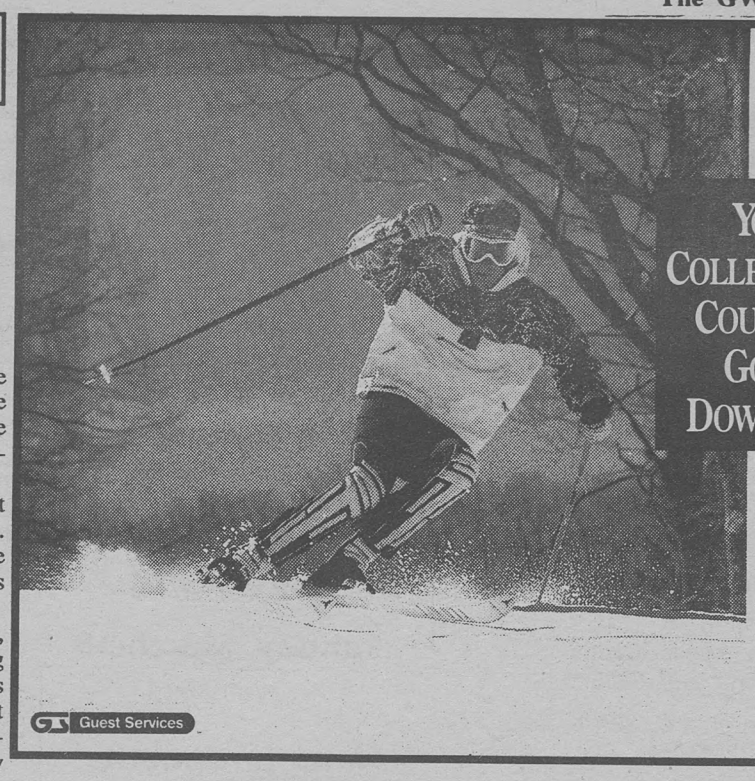
Park received significant support in the National Law Center during the first round of voting. He said he has been talking to student groups whose members usually do not vote, such as law students. Park added that he is hoping for an even larger turnout among law students in the runoff election.

Park said that if he is elected, he thinks he would work well with Executive Vice President-elect Scott Slifka. Park said SA Senate meetings drag too long, and he would like to work with Slifka to reform the Senate.

"He's only a sophomore, but he is very, very energetic about what he wants to do," Park said. "I have my own style of leadership. I like to operate under a very informal setting, get everyone's input and hash out issues."

Even with the runoff election days away, Park said he is not campaigning heavily anymore. The weeks of campaigning have been exhausting, he said. Park said he's eagerly anticipating a relaxing spring break visiting family in Venezuela, where his mother is from.

"I've taken the past two days off. By this point in the election, people know who I am, what I stand for," Park said. "I can't drag them to the polls."

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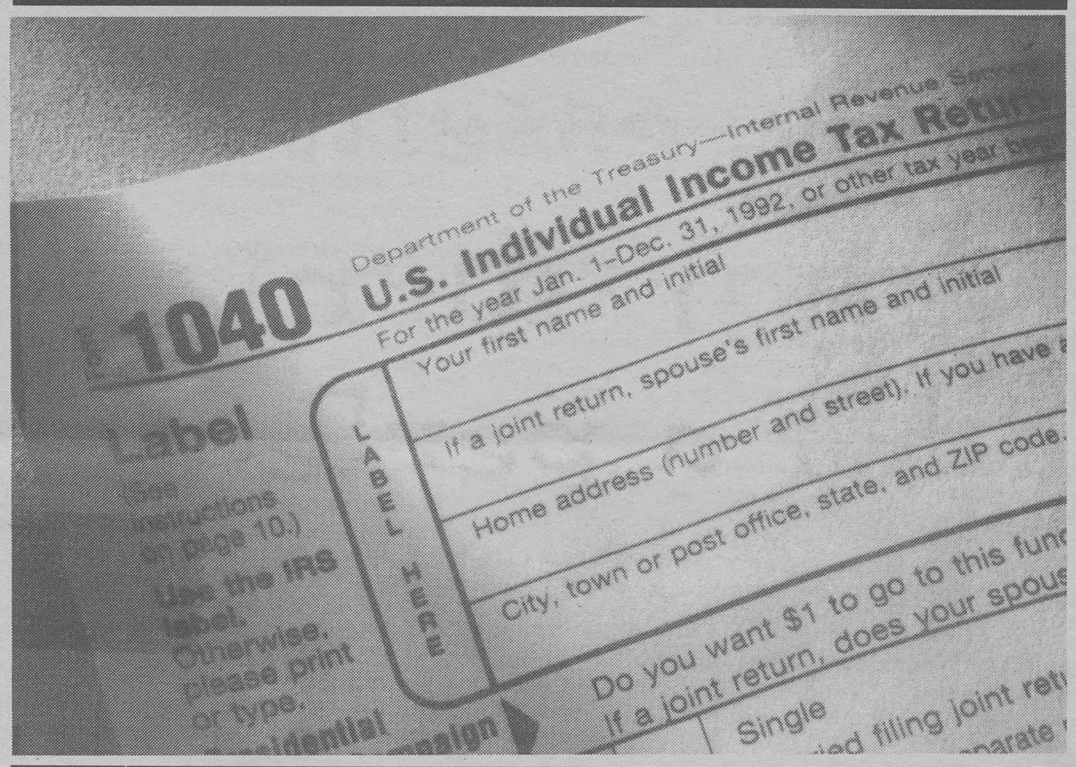


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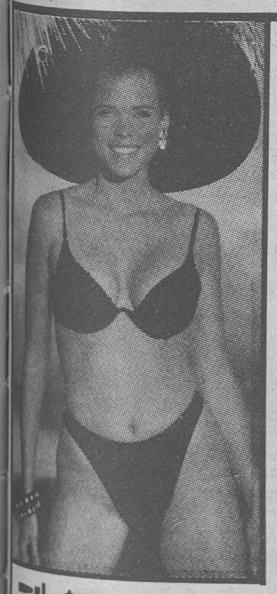

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**Applications Available for Program Board Chair Positions.** Marvin Center 429, 5pm. Info: 994-7313.

**Steiner Scholarship Benefit Concert.** Marvin Center Betts Theatre, 7:30pm. Tickets $5 & $10. Info: 994-6245.*

**Earth Week Planning Meeting.** Sponsored by SEA & ENRPA. Marvin Center 419, 8pm. Info: 994-7284.

**LGBA Meeting.** Marvin Cntr. 419, 9pm. Info: 994-7284.*

## Tuesday, March 8

**Semester at Sea Info Table.** Marvin Center Ground Floor, 10am-3pm. Info: 994-1649.

**Bamberg Information with former GW Student.** Stuart 104, Time TBA. Info: 994-1649.

**Syracuse Abroad Information.** Stuart 108, 1pm. Info: 994-1649.

**Career Center Letters and Resumes Workshop.** Academic Cntr. T-509, 3-4:30pm. Info: 994-8630.

**Career Center Info. Session for International Students** looking for job opportunities. Seeking languages of Brunei, Malaysia, Indonesia, Phillippines, Singapore, Thailand, & Hong Kong. Visitor's Center, 5-6pm. Info: 994-6495.

**Career Center Employer Information Session with Taco Bell/Pepsi Co.** Academic Cntr. T-509, 7-8pm. Info: 994-8630.

**Breaking Through: Busnesswomen & the Glass Ceiling.** Sponsored by Program Board Multicultural Affairs. Marvin Center 410, 7:30pm. Info: 994-7313.

**University Symposium: Helen Mills: "Future of Business".** Sponsored by University Honors Program. Smith Hall Room A 114, 8pm. Info: 994-6816.

## Wednesday, March 9

**Luncheon Lecture Series.** Lecture by James Goldgeier on Liberalism & Realism in the post-cold world era. Free pizza & soda. Stuart Hall 108, 12-2pm. R.S.V.P. & Info: 994-7050.

**Program Board Women's Leadership Lunch.** Gelman 202, 12-1pm. Info: 994-7313.

**Career Center Co-op Orientation.** Academic Cntr. T-509, 5-6pm. Info: 994-8630.

**Program Board Meeting.** Yearbook photo will be taken. Marvin Center 429, 8:30. Info: 994-7313.

**Discussion about Sexuality in the 90s.** A free coffeehouse discussion sponsored by Program Board. Strong Hall Piano Lounge, 8:30pm. Info: 994-7313.

**College Republicans General Meeting.** Congressman Tom De Lay. Marvin Center 403, 9pm. Info: 994-2243.*

## Thursday, March 10

**Understand your Textbooks.** Read "beyond the words" for an advanced understanding. Counseling Center, 11am. Info: 994-6550.

**NAFTA: What happens next?** Sponsored by CERiEB. Free for students & CERiEB members, $5 at the door. Marvin Center 404, 6:30pm. Info: (202) 785-3500.

## Friday, March 11

No events listed.

## Saturday, March 12

**Asian Student Intercollegiate Alliance Symposium on Community Outreach.** Marvin Center Betts Theatre, 11am-1pm. Info: (202) 232-2526.

## Sunday, March 13

No events listed.

## Announcements

**Peer Tutors for Writing Center Needed.** Applications available in Stuart 301 H, Mon-Thu, 9am-8pm, Fri 9am-noon. Deadline March 11. Info: 994-3765.

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**Aikido Club Practice.** Every Mon. & Wed. 7-10pm. Marvin Center 501. Info: (202) 217-0647.

**AIESEC Meeting.** MC 403, Every Mon. 8pm. Info: 994-4885. *

**Sign Language Club Meeting.** Marvin Center 402, Every Tue. 7:30pm. Info: 994-9415.*

**Wimmin's Issues Now.** Marvin Center 432, Every Tue. 8pm. Info: 994-4885.*

**Ecumenical Christian Ministry Fellowship Meeting.** 609 21st St., Every Tue. 8pm. Info: (202) 296-6902.*

**Circle K Meeting.** Place TBA, Every Tue. 8:30pm. Info: 676-2210. *

**GW Taekwondo Club.** Building K Gym, Every Tue 10pm-midnight & Thu. 8-10pm; Sat & Sun 3-5pm. Info: 296-8273.*

**Toastmasters Public Speaking Organization.** Marvin Center 405, Every Wed. 6:30-8pm. Info: 994-9515.*

**Progressive Student Union Meeting.** Marvin Center 419, Every Wed. 8pm. Info: 994-7284.*

**Wooden Teeth Meeting.** Marvin Center 401, Every Wed. 8pm. Info: (202) 337-5029.*

**RHA Meeting.** Marvin Center 4th Floor, Every Wed. 9pm. Info: 994-9542.*

**International Happy Hours.** 1714 G St. NW. Free drinks and snacks. Proper attire required, free entrance before 7pm. $10 after 7pm. Every Fri. 5pm. Info: 994-6864.

**Intervarsity Christian Fellowship Prime Time Meeting.** Open to all, speakers, singing, & fellowship. Marvin Center 4th Floor, Every Thu. 8:30pm. Info: 676-2400.

**Japanese Language Course**. Free and sponsored by the Japan MBA Association. Marvin Center, 4th Floor, Every Fri. 5-6pm. Info: (703) 528-4409.*

**Ballroom Dance Lessons.** Sponsored by The GW Ballroom Dancing Club. Marvin Center Dance Studio, Every Sun. 4-5pm. Info: 994-9410.*

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# Committee to look at American studies

## *Columbian College dean OKs program*

by Donna Brutkoski
Hatchet Staff Writer

The Curriculum Committee is reviewing the American studies department's proposed undergraduate major program, and proponents hope the program will be in place by next year.

Linda Salamon, dean of the Columbian College and Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, said she gave the proposal to the Curriculum Committee on Feb. 25, and they gave it to a subcommittee on Friday.

"There will be questions about the shape, volume and scope of the program," she said. Salamon predicted "optimistically" that the program would be in place by next year.

Salamon said, however, the committee was "very backed up" with work, and she was not certain when the work on the program would be completed.

Curriculum Committee Chairman Chris Sten said the process of approving such a program can be lengthy.

"You never know what kind of questions will come up" when preparing a new program for approval, Sten said. "It's quite a process."

Currently, students who want to major in American studies have to create their own major. The new proposal would strengthen the undergraduate program, putting it on a level with the graduate program in American studies, as well as add a major. Students who are interested say they hope the program is reinstated soon.

The American studies major was offered to students in previous years, but the program was eliminated as part of a "nationwide effort to consolidate undergraduate programs," American studies professor Bernard Mergen said. The last group of American studies majors from the original program will graduate this spring.

"I heard about this, and I hope it gets passed," sophomore Megan Hartman said. "I know a lot of people who want to major in American studies."

Hartman is attempting to design her own major, but she said approval of the program by the Curriculum Committee would ease the process. "This new program would be an interdisciplinary major," Hartman said.

John Vlach, American studies chairman, said he hopes more students will learn about the proposed program so the administration will give it a higher priority.

"I'm sure there are more students out there who would be interested if our program was made stronger," Vlach said.


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# Economy

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billion to the Washington economy.

"It's unusual that universities are such a major player, but that reflects the nature of Washington," Fuller said. "Local leaders ought to think more about the role universities play. It's easy to overlook what's in your back yard."

The study also found that:

- Visitors to GW's Visitors Center and people in town for alumni events spent $1.3 million in the District, nearly $1 million of which went to hotels.
- GW is also a major economic player because of its real estate holdings, such as the 2000 Penn complex. GW's commercial properties are valued at $148 million.
- Of the $442 million the University spent for goods and services, suburban Maryland received 73.4 percent. The District received 17.2 percent and Northern Virginia received 9.4 percent.

Fuller said GW's economic impact is larger than any other school in the District. Georgetown University is a close second.

"The University is a significant economic force in the city and the region," the report said. "While GW is one of the largest (area universities), when all of these institutions are put together and viewed as an industry, its magnitude and significance are undeniable."


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## GW Student Spending in 1993

| | D.C. Spending | Suburban Spending | Total |
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| Food/On-Campus | $6.0 | $0 | $6.0 |
| Food/Off-Campus | $9.9 | $8.8 | $21.2 |
| Recreation/ Entertainment | $4.7 | $1.5 | $10.6 |
| Clothing | $.9 | $6.0 | $9.0 |
| **Total** | **$59.0** | **$59.0** | **$128.2** |

All numbers in millions. Totals include non-local spending.
Source: Greater Washington Research Center

# Students' spending is high, study finds

by Oscar Avila
Senior News Editor

The typical image of the cash-strapped college student may not apply at GW, according to a report issued by the Greater Washington Research Center Thursday.

The report states that GW students spent more than $128 million off campus on goods and services in fiscal 1993, equally divided between the District and the suburbs in Maryland and Virginia.

"Student spending is substantial," said Stephen Fuller, GW professor of urban development and author of the study. "Students used to be thought of as poor, but they have more disposable income than you normally associate with them."

Fuller said GW student spending is higher than any other school in the Washington area, except the University of Maryland-College Park. But most of the spending there stays at on-campus establishments, he said.

Off-campus housing is the largest student expense, accounting for 35.7 percent of student spending. Restaurants, recreation and entertainment combined accounted for 29.6 percent.

About 76 percent of local spending on entertainment occurred in the District, according to the study. On the other hand, 87 percent of the $9 million students spent locally on clothes was in the suburbs.

Fuller pointed to the popularity of shopping malls in the suburbs, such as the Fashion Centre at Pentagon City, for the high spending in the suburbs. He noted that until the construction of the 2000 Penn complex in the early 1980s, almost no businesses in the area catered to students.

Now businesses such as Tower Records, Kinko's and Cone E. Island have proven that students represent a significant market, he said.

"Students do have some money. They're a pretty sizable portion of our clientele," said senior Darren DuClos, who works in The Gap at 2000 Penn. "It's a lot of people concentrated in one place, and they have to consume food, entertainment, etc."

Researchers interviewed about 100 students between February and April of 1993 for the study. Undergraduate students kept diaries of their spending for one week each month, while graduate students were surveyed in their classes.

Fuller said the University may need to take a second look at literature it sends applicants that says "miscellaneous" spending at GW totals about $100 a month. The study shows that figure is closer to $100 a week, he said.

The report also said that some categories of student spending, in addition to their direct impact on retailers, create ripple effects on the local economy.

"The impacts of (University) expenditures, beyond their direct dollar value, are affected by the type and location of the expenditure," the report said. "Student expenditures for retail goods, for example, generate a larger multiplier effect and have greater job and income implications."


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# Health care activities will focus on women

## *WIN organizers expect large turnout*

by Michelle Von Euw
Hatchet Staff Writer

Organizers expect a large turnout at the second annual Women's Health Care Day on Monday, primarily as a result of local publicity, said Beth Castle, an organizer of the event.

The Wimmin's Issues Now-sponsored event is expected to attract nearly 1,000 people, Castle said. Last week's Health section of The Washington Post was one of many publications to advertise the event, prompting a flurry of phone calls and inquiries from people in the area.

"Our home phone has been ringing off the hook," said event co-coordinator Corene Kendrick, whose number was printed in the Post without her permission.

Castle said she was pleased with the attention and attributed much of the interest in the event to the popularity of health care today. "It's a huge buzzword," she said.

The Post announcement erroneously reported that the event was sponsored by the GW Medical Center, even though the hospital and the University have offered little support, Castle said. She said WIN has been responsible for most of the work.

"A lot is expected out of us, and it's almost an embarrassment that we cannot get help for something that will ultimately be good for the school," Castle said.

Castle said she worries that The Post did not clearly present the goals of the event.

"WIN is a direct feminist-action group," Castle said. "Our aim is not to provide information for white, suburban, middle-aged women, which was not made clear in The Post."

Information will be geared toward inner-city women and college students, Castle said. About 40 organizations will provide information at the event, including presentations on AIDS, substance abuse, minority health care and Third-World sterilization.

The GW Lipid Clinic Research Center will present information on a study linking estrogen and heart disease. The GW Health Plan will sponsor a computer health assessment.

Other scheduled events include a speech by Gigi El-Bayoumi, a GW associate professor of internal medicine and a founding member of the Women's Primary Health Care Center.

Woman's Way and D.C. Impact will demonstrate self-defense, and musicians will provide entertainment throughout the afternoon.

GW Right to Life and Young Americans for Freedom plan to distribute information on a study linking abortions to breast cancer. But according to Castle, GW doctors have declared the study void.

"A letter from the doctors that explains the research is invalid, as well as several articles warning against propaganda, will be stapled to the studies," Castle said.

Elise Ehrhard of GW Right to Life said she was pleased and surprised that her group would be allowed to participate, considering the ideological differences between GW Right to Life and WIN.

Even though the pressures of the event have taken their toll on the organizers, they said the publicity will help the event become a success.

WIN has about 15 active members and is not accustomed to handling such large events, according to the event coordinators. "This event has gotten too big, perhaps," although it has become "more successful than our wildest dreams," Kendrick said.

# Women see benefits in art of self-defense

## *Urban climate makes protection important*

by Erin McLaughlin
Hatchet Staff Writer

In addition to condoms and dental dams, Women's Health Care Day also offers something some GW women already are involved in: martial arts and self-defense classes.

Senior Karen Bentley said she decided to take a Sho To Kan at GW primarily to learn self-defense. "I took it for self-defense because in (Washington) . . . it is really good to know," Bentley said.

Freshman Serena Aunon is a kung fu student who trains at the Wong Chinese Boxing Association's School of Jow Ga Kung Fu in the District. She agreed that self-defense training is beneficial for women who live in large cities.

"The big thing for women is to make themselves feel more confident," Aunon said.

Aunon said it is important for women to learn some form of self-defense, either martial arts or other varieties. "Walking home alone at night, self-defense — any style — will help you feel more confident," Aunon said.

Christina House, president-elect of the GW Tae Kwon Do club, cited self-esteem as one reason she is learning a martial art.

"Everything you can do (in Tae Kwon Do), you can use to defend yourself outside on the streets," House said. The Tae Kwon Do group practices on campus at Building K.

"It's not about kicking someone's butt, it's about self-improvement," said sophomore Elizabeth McDonald, another Tae Kwon Do student. She said Tae Kwon Do also offers physical advantages.

All the women said they had never encountered situations requiring the use of self-defense. The women said in their martial art and self-defense classes, the ratio of men to women is almost equal.

Woman's Way, a self-defense organization, will have a presentation at 12:30 p.m. as part of Women's Health Care Day. D.C. Impact will offer another self-defense class at 2 p.m.

"When you see these performances, you see most of it comes from the heart," said Beth Castle, an event organizer and member of Wimmin's Issues Now. "Women have been raised to be meek, but self-defense teaches you power."

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# Foreign students see unrest in homelands

## *Turmoil has some worried about loved ones*

by David Joyner
Hatchet Staff Writer

Veljko Milanovic came to the United States in August 1989 as an exchange student. But Milanovic, a GW senior, is uneasy about returning home because of the risk involved in traveling to war-ravaged Croatia.

About 2,500 undergraduate, graduate and non-degree GW students are international, according to fall semester statistics released by the GW Office of Institutional Research. Many, like Milanovic, come from countries laden with unrest.

Milanovic said college has allowed him to delay enlistment in Croatia's military service. Croatian law requires male citizens to enlist after high school, but a citizen can postpone his service to obtain a college education, Milanovic said.

"Most of my high school colleagues decided to serve in the army (out of high school)," Milanovic said. "I'd like to have my degree first."

A native of Rijeka, Croatia, Milanovic left a country that was not much different from the Yugoslavia in which he grew up. Milanovic said the impending unrest in his country became apparent when he returned home after graduating high school.

"It seemed to be the best decision to study outside of the country," Milanovic said.

Milanovic said he first saw signs of military unrest during a visit home after his freshman year at GW. "Leaving that way was certainly very traumatic," Milanovic said. He added that his summer vacation had to be cut short that year.

Milanovic's mother and grandmother continue to live in Croatia. His sister attends Radford University in Virginia.

Milanovic said he hopes his mother will be able to come to his graduation in May. He would like to return to Croatia with his mother, he said. Milanovic plans to pursue a graduate degree in the United States.

Jong Ahn, a graduate student who moved from South Korea to attend GW, also has to worry about trouble at home. He has lived in the United States for about six years and with his family here. But Jong Ahn said he left many friends and relatives behind when he moved from his homeland.

Instability in North Korea relating to the communist nation's newly-discovered nuclear capability has greatly affected countries around it, including South Korea.

Jong Ahn said friends and family at home have urged him not to worry about them, but he said he does anyway.

Bohyun Ahn is also a graduate student at GW from Korea. Bohyun Ahn, who lives with his wife and children, said he also is concerned about loved ones he has left behind.

"Most of my friends and my family . . . do not worry about anything," he said. Ahn added that the political situation in his home country has stabilized.

South Africa also has been a hotbed of political unrest. With unprecedented multiracial elections in the near future, South Africa is just now breaking the grasp of apartheid.

*"It seemed to be the best decision to study outside of the country."*

*-Veljko Milanovic, native of Croatia*

Michael Santa Rita, a junior majoring in English, moved here four years ago from South Africa. Santa Rita came with some of his family, but was forced to leave most friends and relatives behind.

"I am naturally worried about what is going to happen to (my family and friends)," Santa Rita said.

He said he feels "distanced" from South Africa when he reads news stories about his homeland in magazines and newspapers.

"I definitely want to go back (to South Africa) at some stage," Santa Rita said.

Liam Pedersen, a Fulbright scholar in his second semester at GW, said he had reservations about leaving family and friends at home. Pedersen, who is also from South Africa, said he is not worried about his family but does have concern for the country. He said his family lives in a relatively safe area.

Pedersen said the situation in South Africa "seems more hopeful." He added that "there is not much one can do as an individual."

# NEWS BRIEFS

### SBPM students to talk with GE executive

Hellene Runtagh, chief executive officer and president of General Electric Information Services, will lead a group discussion with School of Business and Public Management graduate students Thursday.

Runtagh is also an officer of General Electric Co. (USA). She will speak at 12:30 p.m. in the Elliott Room of the University Club.

### Honoring students

GW is accepting nominations for the Excellence in Student Life Awards, which will be announced in April.

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*-Oscar Avila*


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# New PB chair wants to build on successes

## Experience will be helpful, Fugazy says

by Emily Sanford
Hatchet Staff Writer

Next year's Program Board chair said she thinks her three years of experience as an insider with the organization will make her an effective leader of the group.

Amanda Fugazy said the Program Board is different from other student groups because it should be operated by insiders. "We don't come in with the attitude (that) we are throwing the bums out," she said. "It is not an organization that people on the outside can run. You have to know the game and the system."

Fugazy ran unopposed for the position of PB chair, which she views as a mandate for running the group. "I'm happy I ran unopposed," she said. "It means I have the unanimous support of my co-workers."

Fugazy said she has plans for improving the organization, but she intends to maintain PB's style. "The idea is to add to what the Program Board already does," she said.

Fugazy said she and the other new PB officers have begun planning some of the group's activities for next year. "We've been in office for a few days, and we've already done so much," Fugazy said.

Her plans for next year range from bringing controversial speakers to campus and sponsoring more concerts to improving cooperation with Marvin Center officials.

"I'd like to attract more controversial and more multicultural speakers," she said. "I want to get people angry, and I want them to debate and argue. Students like to debate." She added that PB had "a lot of success" with the debates on the North American Free Trade Agreement earlier this year.

Fugazy said she wants to expand the role of the parties chair next year because "PB is in the entertainment business." Fugazy served as parties chair during her freshman year.

"I want to reinstate the parties chair," she said. "It has sort of shrunk back this year to two major events, Spring Fling and Fall Fest. I want to bring more activities to the students."

She added that she wants to coordinate with the Marvin Center to avoid conflicts with film presentations and to "prevent reproduction of effort."

"We'd like more films and we want to sponsor more concerts on our own. Most now are co-produced," Fugazy said, adding that PB "wants to do more Smith Center concerts on our own."

Fugazy ran for the position of PB chair last year but lost to Mary Jo Maralit. "Last year when I did have to run a campaign, my slogan was 'Bigger, Better and More,' " she said, adding that she plans to use that theme next year.

*"It is not an organization that people on the outside can run."*

*-Amanda Fugazy, PB chair-elect*

She said it is necessary to make changes to improve the organization. "Inevitably if you aim for the status quo, you fall behind," she said.

Fugazy has held a position in the organization for three years. She was the first freshman to hold an elected PB position, beginning with her appointment to chair of the parties committee. This year, she chairs the corporate sponsorship committee.

# Clinton: Aid based on race is acceptable

## *Programs encouraged to promote diversity*

by Emily Sanford
Hatchet Staff Writer

The Clinton administration announced a policy last month that would encourage colleges to use race-targeted scholarships to promote campus diversity and correct historic discrimination problems.

The new policy reverses the 1991 Bush-issued policy that severely restricted the use of money for minority scholarships, claiming they were illegal.

GW does not offer scholarships aimed specifically at minority students, said Dan Small, enrollment management administration director. GW focuses its financial aid on all needy students and not a particular group, he explained.

"We have a nice diversity as it is already, compared to other schools," Small said. "We don't have to offer scholarships to improve our diversity."

Opponents of the scholarships argue that they discriminate against white students and violate the 1964 Civil Rights Act, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin in federally funded programs.

In making his decision Feb. 17, Education Secretary Richard Riley said his review concluded that colleges can use financial aid to remedy past discrimination and promote campus diversity without violating federal anti-discrimination laws.

"We want the doors to postsecondary education to remain open for minority students," Riley said. "This policy helps to achieve that goal in a manner that is consistent with the law."

Unlike other minority scholarships, for which any minority student is eligible, race-specific scholarships provide financial aid for a targeted minority group only. University administrators and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People say race-based scholarships are important to promote diversity on campuses.

The General Accounting Office study released Jan. 14 estimated that scholarships awarded on the basis of race represented about 3 percent of all scholarships issued by undergraduate and graduate schools, and about 8.5 percent of scholarships issued by professional schools.

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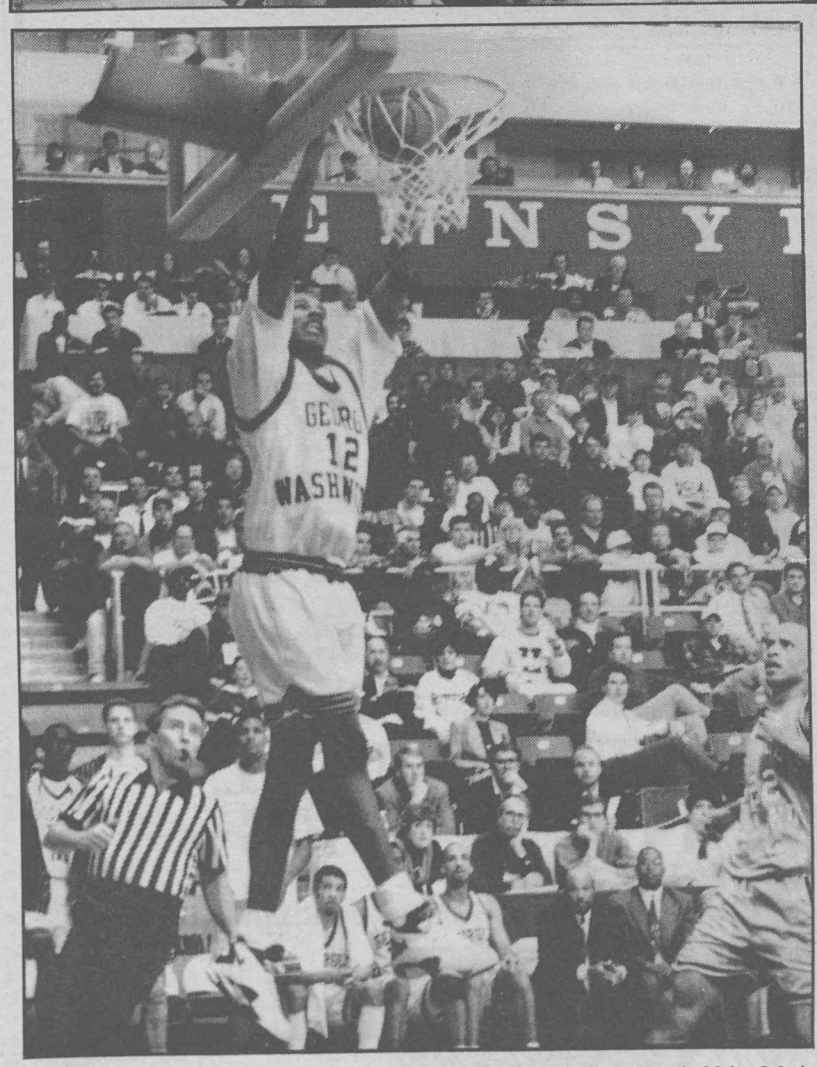
# Colonials advance past URI on defense, free throws



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**Marcus Ford (#30) escorts Nimbo Hammons (top, #42) in the air as Hammons sinks a hook shot. Rams Damont Collins (#30) and Ibn-Hashim Bakari (#33) observe from the floor. Kwame Evans (#12) shows Pennsylvania his stuff (below) as URI's Cordall Llewellyn (#22) arrives late.**

**GW 70, RHODE ISLAND 61**

| GW | MIN | FG | FT | O-T | PF | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ford | 18 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 2 | 3 |
| Hammons | 34 | 3-8 | 2-2 | 3-10 | 4 | 5 |
| Dare | 36 | 8-16 | 5-5 | 4-18 | 1 | 21 |
| Pearsall | 35 | 1-3 | 10-10 | 0-1 | 2 | 12 |
| Evans | 25 | 3-16 | 5-6 | 4-5 | 1 | 5 |
| Jones | 23 | 3-3 | 1-2 | 0-1 | 2 | 7 |
| Moses | 21 | 1-3 | 2-2 | 1-2 | 1 | 4 |
| Wise | 3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 |
| Hart | 3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 1 | 0 |
| Kah | 1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 |
| Williams | 1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 200 | 20-51 | 25-27 | 15-42 | 16 | 70 |
| **R.I.** | **MIN** | **FG** | **FT** | **O-T** | **PF** | **PTS** |
| Fox | 37 | 8-16 | 2-4 | 3-6 | 5 | 21 |
| Collins | 33 | 2-7 | 1-2 | 4-4 | 2 | 5 |
| Griffin | 20 | 3-3 | 0-0 | 4-7 | 3 | 6 |
| Cofield | 39 | 6-19 | 2-5 | 3-7 | 33 | 14 |
| Samuel | 33 | 1-10 | 1-2 | 0-5 | 4 | 3 |
| Bakari | 27 | 5-7 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 3 | 10 |
| Llewellyn | 11 | 1-4 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 2 |
| Andersen | 3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 200 | 26-66 | 6-13 | 17-35 | 21 | 61 |

by Deanna Reiter
Sports Editor

PHILADELPHIA — The Colonials' fire continues to burn.

The GW men's basketball team refused to be tamed as it blazed by Rhode Island, 70-61, in Sunday's first quarterfinal game of the Atlantic 10 tournament.

Yinka Dare ignited the scoring for GW with two consecutive layups and a jump shot assisted by Marcus Ford. After that display of momentum "I knew we were in for a long night," URI's head coach Al Skinner said at a post-game press conference.

Men's Basketball

The Colonials dominated the pacing of the first half after taking hold of the reigns at 14:39 and staying in control for the remainder of the game.

GW ripped ahead in the second half to a 43-26 lead over the Rams with 18:12 remaining on the clock. But Rhode Island did not fall away so easily. After calling a time out, URI came back onto the court and stormed on a 13-point unanswered run for a 43-39 lead.

"The team got into a lackadaisical state in the second half," Alvin Pearsall said. "We tried to get back into it in the last five minutes."

Although the Colonials never really let things slide away, the game picked up intensity as the Rams drew nearer. The 49-46 game spurred Kwame Evans to step forward as he guided in a three-pointer and then found himself in a perfect position for an open court layup assisted by Pearsall. This brought the score to 54-46 and gave the Colonials some extra room to breathe.

Pearsall provided GW with the rest of the cushioning it needed as he took full advantage of a series of free throws. With 1:17 to go, Pearsall hit his first two after he was fouled by URI's Ibn-Hashim Bakari. He stood at the line four more times before the clock ran out and hit 10-for-10, tying the league's single game record at the line with his perfect shooting.

The Colonials only managed to hit seven of 22 field goals in the second half, but what they missed in layups they made up for with their free throws. GW nearly shot a perfect second half, with 92.6 percent at the line.

Dare and the Rams' Abdul Fox were the high scorers of the game with 21 points apiece. Dare also broke the previous A-10 tournament rebound record of 17 in one game with his 18 rebounds.

"The first game is the most important. I think that having it out of the way will help us play a little more relaxed tomorrow, and we're going to have to play a little better obviously," head coach Mike Jarvis said.

This win improves the Colonials' record to 17-10 overall and gives them their ninth win of their last 11 games, putting them in better contention for an NCAA bid after their loss last week to URI.

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*-Mike Jarvis, head basketball coach*

"I think that after this win tonight, we should've gotten (the NCAA bid), but we're not going to let them dictate to us. We're going to keep going," Dare said.

The Colonials advance to the semifinals Monday night against No. 2 seeded Temple. The Owls overthrew Rutgers, 58-44 in the last quarterfinal game Sunday.

Temple remains the only team in the league that GW has fallen to twice this season. In their first matchup Jan. 8, the Owls earned an 80-64 victory at McGonigle Hall. When the two teams met again at the Smith Center Jan. 29, Temple walked away with another win, 64-54. The Owls lead the Colonials in their series, 34-8.

## Atlantic 10 Men's Tournament

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# SPORTS

## GW undermines West Virginia

by Kynan Kelly
Asst. Sports Editor

The GW women's basketball team wound up its last regular season home game against a West Virginia team that

Women's Basketball

arrived late and only stayed around long enough to be blown away, 94-62.

The victory put GW a half game ahead of Rutgers for first place in the Atlantic 10 after the Lady Knights lost 102-79 at Temple Thursday. Rutgers has two games left before the A-10 tournament while GW has only one.

The Mountaineers' bus arrived at the Smith Center Thursday only an hour before the 7:15 p.m. tipoff, and their abbreviated pregame warm up was apparent in their dismal shooting. They missed their first eight shots before Selese Neal nailed a three-pointer at 16:16.

"They can't use (arriving late) as an excuse, but I know if it was me, I'd feel tired getting off the bus after five hours and hopping onto the court," Debbie Hemery said.

The Colonial Women fired on all cylinders in the first half and built a 26-point lead before hitting halftime ahead, 53-31. WVU's Lisa Szymczak was the lone force in West Virginia's attack but couldn't inspire her team for any serious threats.

While West Virginia gambled on long shots that clanged out, GW scored almost every time it touched the ball — which was often. WVU lost 16 turnovers, and GW had 11 steals in the first half.

Myriah Lonergan and Darlene Saar nullified the Mountaineers' long-range offense with bombs of their own, and Tajama Abraham and Martha Williams won the battles underneath.

Abraham had nine points at 11:30 of the first half, and Williams picked up where she left off with some stylish moves. She came right in and scored two straight baskets — a bank high off the glass and a reverse layup.

Szymczak scored WVU's first three baskets of the second half to cut the lead to 18 twice, but that was as close as the Mountaineers could get to the red hot Colonial Women.

The GW defense continued to give little ground and was led by Abraham's three blocks in the paint. They gave her 54 total blocks in her first season to eclipse Kristin McArdle in ninth place on the GW career blocks list.

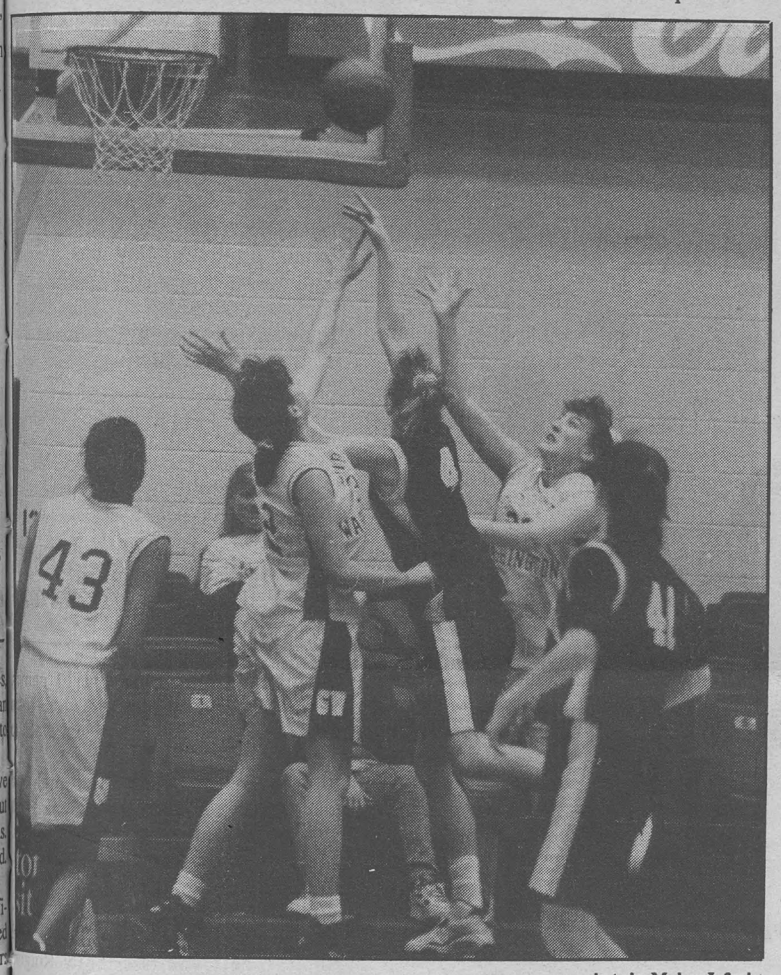
Hemery performed her usual fireworks on the fast break and pestered West Virginia's guards all night long. She recorded eight assists, including one series of plays in which she stole the ball three times and threaded it to Lonergan twice and Saar once for easy scores. Those three consecutive deft assists boosted the score to 68-43 and brought the crowd to its feet.

The blowout provided head coach Joe McKeown with a chance to play his seniors on Senior Nite at the Smith Center. Stephanie Seifert and Melissa Phillips each got quality minutes and gave quality contributions. Phillips dished out three assists, and six of her 10 points came on crowd-pleasing three-pointers.

"Melissa Phillips is the best shooter we have on the team. That's not a fluke," McKeown said. "It's just been hard to get her quality minutes."

GW has won 14 of its last 16 games and will travel to Rhode Island Monday for a game rescheduled from Feb. 12 to close out the regular season. The women's A-10 tournament begins Wednesday.

"I feel very confident with our chances. We had a few tough losses earlier, but now we've come on strong," Phillips said.



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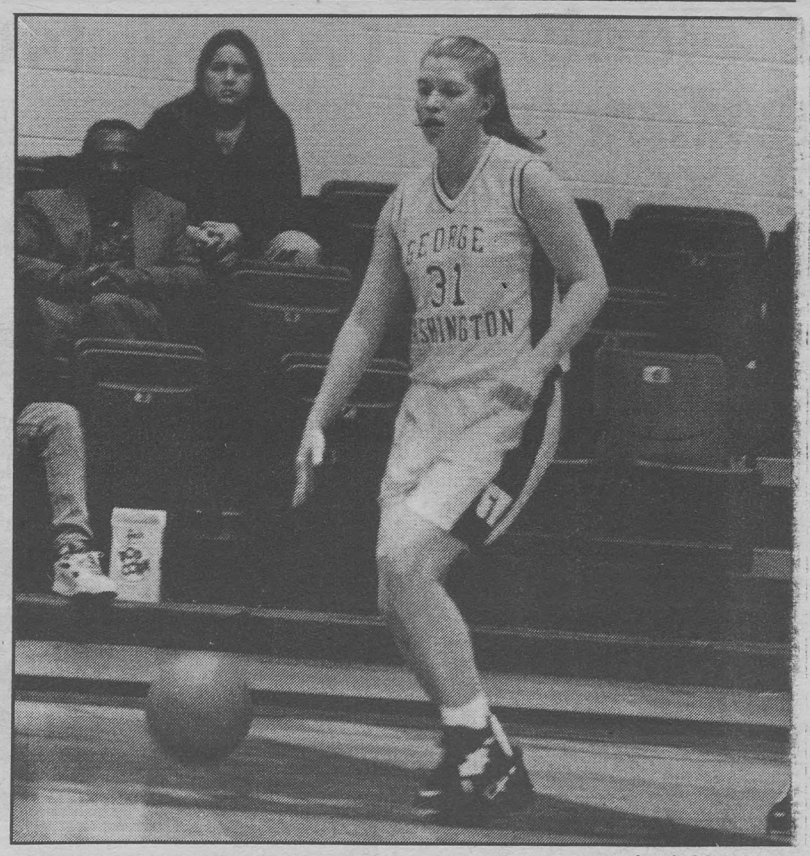
Stephanie Seifert (#32) and Carrie Goheen (#33) contest the shot of Mountaineer April Lowry (#44).



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Melissa Phillips (#31) brings the ball upcourt against West Virginia.

**GW 94, WEST VIRGINIA 62**

| GW | MIN | FG | FT | O-T | PF | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Saar | 30 | 7-13 | 2-3 | 3-7 | 3 | 16 |
| Sawyers | 19 | 1-3 | 0-0 | 1-4 | 0 | 2 |
| Abraham | 21 | 7-10 | 1-3 | 3-7 | 4 | 15 |
| Hemery | 23 | 6-10 | 3-5 | 2-2 | 3 | 15 |
| Lonergan | 16 | 5-6 | 1-2 | 0-2 | 1 | 12 |
| Williams | 14 | 5-8 | 3-4 | 1-4 | 3 | 13 |
| Cermignano | 18 | 2-4 | 2-2 | 1-6 | 1 | 6 |
| Neville | 17 | 0-3 | 1-4 | 1-1 | 0 | 1 |
| McCrea | 15 | 1-3 | 1-3 | 0-3 | 1 | 4 |
| Phillips | 7 | 2-2 | 4-4 | 0-1 | 0 | 10 |
| Goheen | 5 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 |
| Davison | 2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 0 | 0 |
| Seifert | 11 | 0-2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 |
| Weir | 2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 200 | 36-65 | 18-30 | 12-39 | 18 | 94 |

| WVU | MIN | FG | FT | O-T | PF | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Blazek | 24 | 0-7 | 0-0 | 1-4 | 3 | 0 |
| McGuire | 22 | 2-6 | 0-2 | 0-0 | 1 | 4 |
| Szymczak | 30 | 7-18 | 6-7 | 5-8 | 3 | 20 |
| Neal | 25 | 2-11 | 2-2 | 1-7 | 2 | 7 |
| Ammons | 20 | 0-3 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 2 | 0 |
| Sartor | 10 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 2-3 | 3 | 0 |
| Lowry | 11 | 2-3 | 0-1 | 0-4 | 2 | 4 |
| DeChristopher | 10 | 2-3 | 1-1 | 0-0 | 1 | 5 |
| Louis | 16 | 2-3 | 2-2 | 2-2 | 3 | 8 |
| Baker | 14 | 3-5 | 0-0 | 1-1 | 1 | 7 |
| Persinger | 9 | 2-2 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 1 | 4 |
| Barboza | 9 | 1-1 | 1-2 | 3-3 | 0 | 3 |
| TOTALS | 200 | 23-63 | 12-17 | 16-42 | 22 | 62 |

Basketball isn't the only sport headed for the NCAAs. Stay with The GW Hatchet as the swim team splashes into its postseason.

photo by Maher Jafari

Two GW swimmers launch off the blocks earlier this season. Half the team continued its season this weekend at the East Coast Athletic Conference tournament, and churned the waters to place third out of 42 teams. Complete results and coverage will appear in The GW Hatchet Thursday.

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## Commentary

# *March's Madness*

Any American sports fan, particularly one in college, should know what time it is — March Madness. Ah yes, that month filled with jumpshots, rejections, crazy fans, pep bands and a lot of Dick Vitale (if you're fortunate enough to get ESPN).

I understand this month of college sports probably gets too much hype, and the college basketball industry has some problems which need to be addressed. This month, however, is too much fun to worry about that stuff right now. Therefore, I'm calling for all fans to relax and enjoy this month of high-flying hysteria, and I'll give you three reasons why.

No. 1: This area is filled with exciting college teams, including the Colonials. With Sunday's win against Rhode Island, GW is in great shape for a NCAA bid, while providing fans with countless memorable moments this year.

In addition to GW, up in College Park is a team that plays some of the most exciting basketball in America, and the young Terrapins figure to take part in the Big Dance. And even the Hoyas seem bound for the tournament, giving this area three teams that could not only get into the tournament but also could make some noise while they're in it. This local success should create a lot of excitement in this city and in the media.

No. 2: The players. The tournament will be the first time many fans will have seen some of the country's finest players. In light of this, I've created my own All-American team, comprised of players you should check out if possible.

The clear cut top four are Purdue's Glenn Robinson, Connecticut's Donyell Marshall, Duke's Grant Hill and Jason Kidd of California. Kidd is the nation's pre-eminent point guard, while the other three are versatile players who can do it all. The center spot will be filled by Louisville's Clifford Rozier, a versatile player who is the best of a mediocre bunch of college centers, Yinka Dare's efforts notwithstanding.

In any event, pay close attention to these great players, because they will probably be in the NBA next year.

No. 3: The teams. Before the season began, the National Championship had been all but handed to North Carolina. But the team has proven vulnerable this year, and I think there are at least six teams that are ready to dethrone the Heels. My own personal Final Four at this early stage consists of Duke, the University of Louisville, the University of Arkansas and Temple.

A few other teams to look out for could be Syracuse, the University of Missouri and, honestly, GW. If we make it in, I think the Colonials will be a nightmare for an opposing team, with our tremendous defense and tempo-controlling inside game.

So, there you have it. It's time to put away the skeptical attitudes toward college basketball and just enjoy.

*-Ben Osborne*

# Gymnasts find new ways to fend off Rutgers

**by Jared Sher**
Hatchet Sports Writer

Fresh from their midseason break, the Colonial gymnastics team turned in a riveting performance to overtake Rutgers Saturday at the Smith Center.

Gymnastics

Sparked by a record-setting vault sequence, GW overcame an off night from its leader and beat the Lady Scarlet Knights 187.4 to 181.775. The performance was the Colonial Women's highest-scoring show of the season.

The high-scoring total was important for the team's regional standing. GW was sixth entering the match, just behind the College of William and Mary. The performance was needed to improve that standing. "Little by little on each event, we succeeded in what we did," Nikki Bronner said.

"We're right on the cusp of putting it all together. We really came on strong on the floor and with our vaulting," head coach Margie Cunningham said. "I'm definitely happier with the scores. We were refreshed a little bit, and we were rearing to go."

Usually consistent Bronner struggled through a slow performance, while the rest of the team stepped in to help the team improve to 14-5 on the year. "Personally, I'm a little disappointed in my performance, but as a team we made a big jump," Bronner said. "Everyone was very confident."

The Colonial Women turned to J. J. Tolhurst in the clutch and the sophomore came through, winning her first career all-around. Tolhurst led the way with 38.1 points, including a GW record 9.675 on the vault. "I felt I had clean routines, and I knew I was doing well, but I tried not to concentrate on individual events," Tolhurst said. "It feels great to try and pick up the team."

GW opened up on the vault not on with Tolhurst's record but also with team-best performance as well. Th Colonial Women earned 47.225 poin on the routine, eclipsing the old mark b .05. Megan McNulty followed Tolhur with a 9.55, and Tracy Ackerman picke up a 9.5.

The team struggled a little with tw mistakes on the uneven bars but st managed 45.525 points. Andr Longeretta led the way with a 9. followed by Bronner with a 9.225 a Tolhurst's 9.2. Two athletes receiv penalties on the event, one for fallin and the other for letting her foot kick t lower bar. The mistakes cost the tea some points as the sequence contin to give GW a tough time.

The Colonial Women recover quickly, however, to pick up 46.7 poin on the balance beam. Lori Frankl stepped up to lead GW with a score 9.55. Tolhurst was right behind with 9.5, followed by Ackerman with a 9.4 The event opened up a two-point le for the Colonial Women heading on the floor.

GW turned in another electric perfo mance on the floor exercises to seal t victory and set the season scoring hig Tolhurst capped off her magnifice evening with a 9.725 to lead the tea The scoring did not drop off the however, as Bronner recovered for 9.675 and Longeretta picked up a 9.62 Franklin was also solid, earning a 9.5 on the routine.

Cunningham attributes the team improvement to hard work and timin "We've been focusing on each indiv dual's job over the past week," she sai "When you see the finish line, it's a litt easier to compete."

GW travels to College Park Tuesd night to take on the University of Mar land. The team will try to maintain t momentum down the stretch as it push toward a postseason berth.

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**Nancy Akers swings on the uneven bars earlier this season. She accidently hit her foot on one of the bars Saturday, but the Colonial Women remained ahead of Rutgers.**


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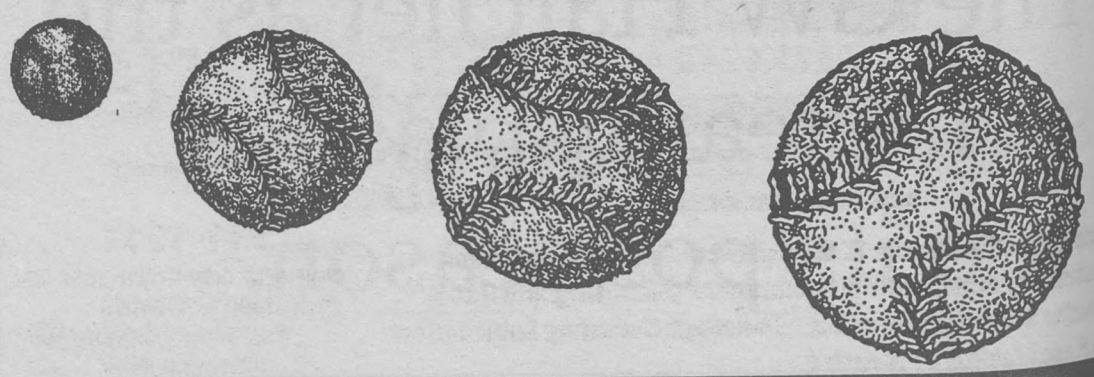

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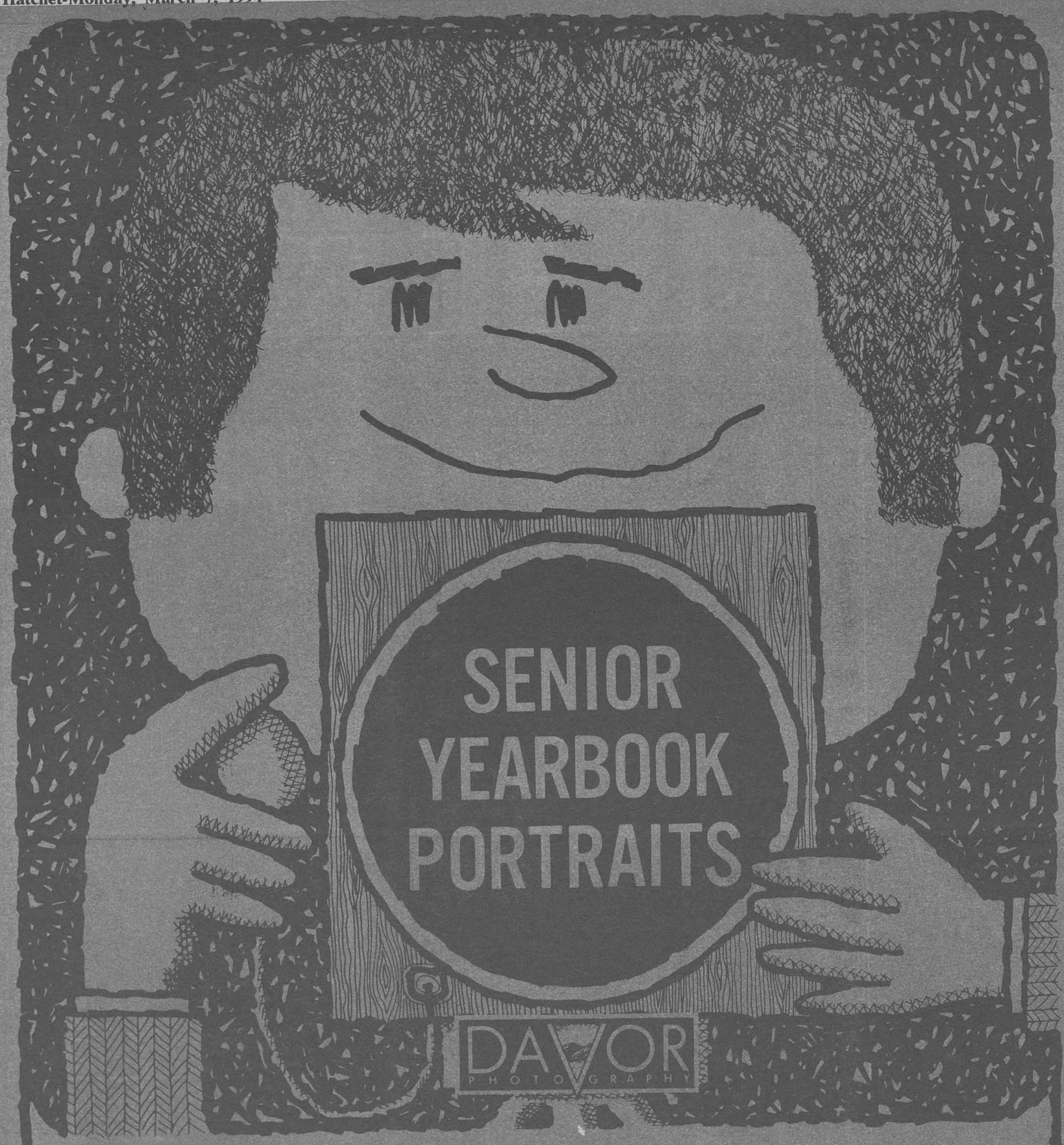


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